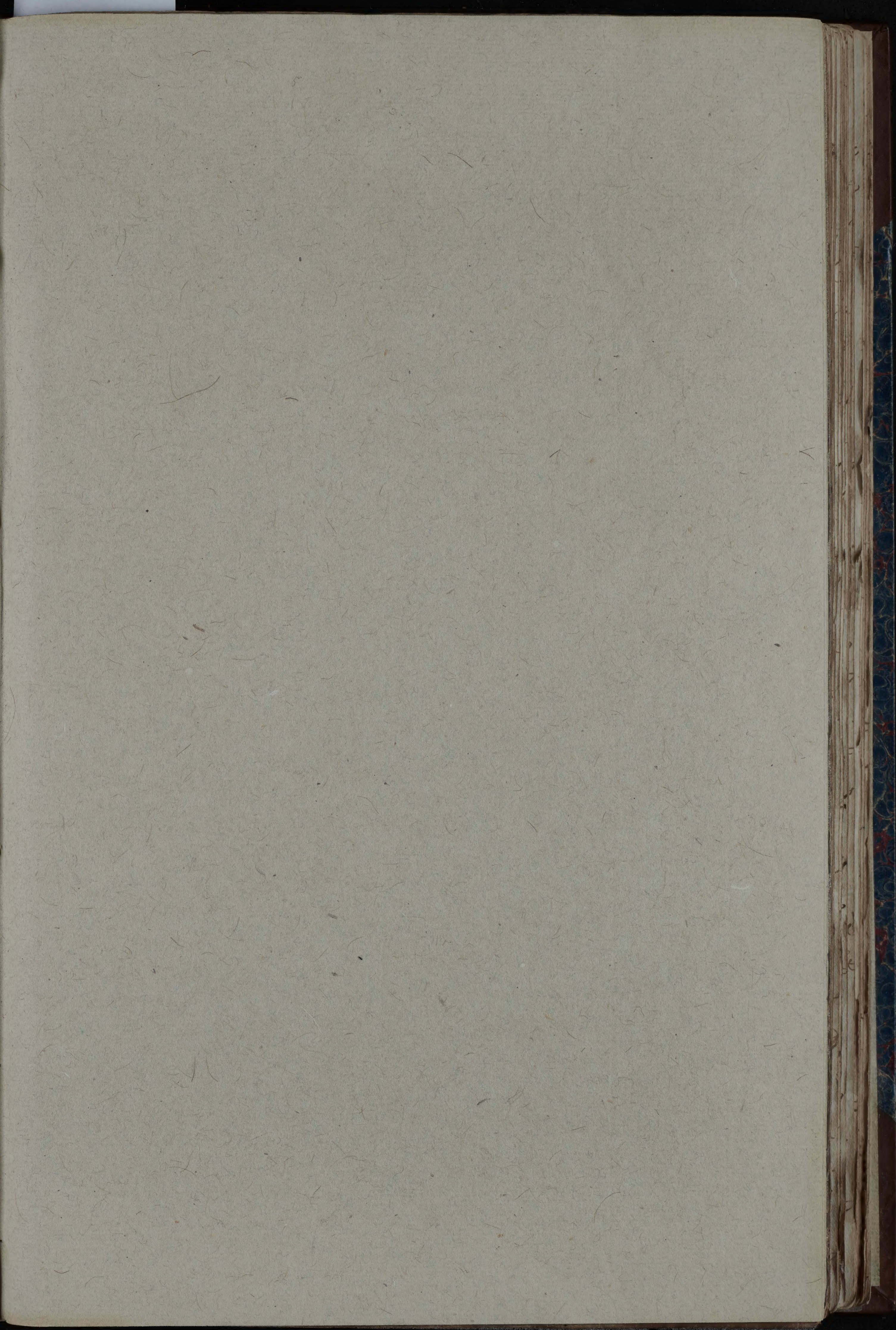




S. Lyman Haly





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June 1835

Coast of ...

[Large decorative flourish]

My dear Henry
I have just received
your letter of the 10th inst.
and am glad to hear
of your success.

Yours and Susan's friend

Wm. R. Johnson

New York in the State of New York

1840

Lyman Neal
New Bedford
Mass

Sailed June 7th 1835

Journal of the Ship
William Thompson on a Voyage
to Pacific Ocean Hiram Weeks
Master sailed June 17th 1835

Kept by a seaman

Ship ~~Wm~~ Thompson 1835

June 16th

thought we should sail but did not the wind proving to be about E. N. no more obs

June 17th

got under way about 1/2 past 7 in the morning and stood out and I went on board about 1/2 past 8 the ship ~~then~~ then lying too off the light Capt came on board about 12 we then stood out with the wind S. S. but very lite latter part of the day wind very light from S. S. no man's land bearing about E. S. E. all hands employ'd in clearing up ship stowing anchors &c no more obs

June 18th

This day begins with ^{wind} from S. E middle and latter part wind S. S. all hands employ'd in making scrub brooms and grinding craft no more obs

June 19th

This day begins with a fine breeze from S. E by E all hands employ'd in getting the boats ready for making saw black fish all day by the ships course & by 4 o'clock two ships one with her boats down after black fish lat. unknown. no more obs

Ship Br. Thompson 1835

June 2^o This day begins with a strong breeze from S by E ships course about E all hands employed in making scrub brevier and cooper making a shoving horn middle and latter part wind increases reef topsails at 4 PM and furled jib and mainsail no more obs

June 2^o This day begins with a light wind from S. E. middle and latter part wind S. E. and squally with frequent showers of rain saw a schooner about 10 AM standing south with a deck load of lumber above supposed no more obs

June 2^o This day begins with a strong wind from the S. W. called all hands at 11 past 11 and double reefed the top sails furled jib and main sail carried away mizen topsail sheet and carried away the spanker throat halyards all busy in stowing spars and cask middle and latter part very moderate with wind S E no more obs

June 2^o This day begins with varyable ^{wind} and heavy showers of rain at 9 AM saw a breach off the lee quarter wore ship and lay with the main yard aback

Ship The Thompson 1838

about $\frac{3}{4}$ of an hour saw no more of them
we supposed they were junks. Split our
main topsail about 10 A.M. and
and latter part fair weather with a fine
wind from E. no more obs.

June 24th This day begins with a light wind from S.E.
and fair weather all hands employed in
fitting boats and grinding waft &c. and
cooper making buckets for the boats
middle and latter part wind about S.E.
and very lite no more obs.

June 25th This day begins with a fine wind from
S.E. all hands employed in fitting boats
and craft cooper making boats buckets
and &c. saw black skin about 10 P.M.
off the beam some call them black
fish. others sperm whale we kept off
and chased them until 5 P.M. when com-
ing up with them they proved to be
killers we then resumed our course for
the western Isles no more obs.

June 26th This day begins with a lite wind from
S.E. all hands busy in fitting boats and
rigging saw a brig S.E. standing in per making
boat kegs middle and latter part wind S.E.
but very lite ships course E. S.E. no more obs
carpenter making scotchman.

June 27th This day begins with a calm all hands
employ in fitting rigging. Nothing on

Ship Wm Thompson 1835

Mon this Day begins with a little wind from
S.W. all hands employed in doing nothing
except mending his trousers and
amros mounseville making a pair of
trousers carpenter shoveling hog-dung
saw a sail steering E middle and
latter very pleasant with the wind S.W.
saw no fish no more obs except
the mate mark'd a log line

Tues this Day begins with a pleasant wind
July 6 from N.E. all hands busy in making
a potatoe pen and fitting rigging & c
black smith making scotchmen and
cooper doing many jobs at coopering
and carpentering middle and latter
part very pleasant no more obs

Wed this Day begins with a little wind from
July 7 S.E. all hands employed in setting
up rigging & c cooper making strap
tubs of old water cask, staves and car
penter scraping off most roundwood
finished a pair of trousers middle
and latter part almost calm and very
warm the carpenter went aloft to
overhaul the main top gallant beam
lines and hauled one then left no obs

Thurs this Day begins with a calm all hands
July 8 employed in setting up rigging black
smith making scotchmen and
cooper making strap tubs carpenter
scrubbed the sides of this ship from about
10 A.M. to 7 P.M. without any dinner
for acting soldiers

Ship Wm. Thompson 1855

middle and latter part little or no wind
from S.W. and very warm. saw one of
the western Isles towards night right
ahead no more obs.

Thurs this day begins with a little wind from S.W.
July 9 all hands employ'd in fitting rigging
& C. coopers making a strainer cooler
saw black fish several times but going
quick middle and latter part very warm
gained with the ship. Bombay of Lorn
Dore 15 Mo out with 150 of sperm. had
been cruising to westward no more obs.

Fri this day begins with a little wind and fine
July 10 weather all hands employ'd in a little of
every thing the mate a kicking and ro-
ing the crew shamefully kick'd one boy
very bad for making a mistake in the run-
ing rigging and struck a sandwich Islander
with the boats want for mistaking his lan-
guage to hold the boat ahead besides using
many others in an unfeeling manner
middle and latter part the same no obs.

Sat this day begins with a little wind from S.W.
July 11 all hands busy in running here and there
black smith at work at the forge after din-
ner sent one boat ashore and off brought off
a load of miron got along side after
sunset no more obs.

Sun this day begins with a fine wind from S.
July 12 call'd all hands at daylight to get breakfast
after breakfast sent one boat ashore for
ten potatoes all employ'd in backing fill-
ing rearing ship & C.

Thurs 13th Thompson 1835

lying off and on blacksmiths at work
at the forge bailing a bucket mud and
the same cabin where all day came
on board a little before sunset and
stood off more no more obs

Mon 14th day begins with a good breeze from
S.W. 13th saw whale before breakfast after
breakfast lowered away the boats struck
one and iron man came on board and
stood along when we lowered again and
took one along side said he would make
45, 50 barrels no more obs

Tues this day begins with good weather all
July 14 hands employed in cutting in the whale
finished about sunset no more obs

Weds this day begins with good weather all
July 15 hands employed in boiling oil no obs

Thurs this day begins with good weather all
July 16 hands employed in boiling oil finis
hed about midnight turned up 95
barrels no more obs

Friday this day begins with a good breeze from
S.W. 17th all hands employed in washing and
coopering oil &c all hands on deck all
day to see the ship sail saw land on
both sides of us latter part some rain
with a little wind no more obs

Sat this day begins with a little wind from
S.W. 18th some where land both sides of us mid
dle and latter part fine weather saw
whale lowered and chased but did not fasten
whale going windward saw the whale

Ship ~~Wm~~ Manifest 1838

saw the whale after dark close by the ship
we intending to stand to the windward after
them until morning no more obs

Mon this Day begins with a light wind from E
July 19 raised a whale a little after sunrise 5 AM
off came up with him in about two hours
off grey shoals lashed struck and took
him along side I saw he would make
115 barrels cut in the body and made fast
the head along side about 9 PM no obs

Mon this Day begins with squally weather with
July 20 some rain at the head in about 2 PM
latter part wind blows very strong run
under the lee of grey shoal in smooth
water and began to boil no more obs

Tues this Day begins with bad weather and
July 21 the same all hands employed in boil
ing oil spoke the ship further off a cow
bedford no oil no more obs

Wednes this Day begins with rough weather
July 22 and ends the same spoke the brig
Gov. Hopkins of Bristol R.F. 55 of
oil we finished boiling about dark
no more obs

Thurs this Day begins with a strong wind from
July 23 our 25 & 28 all hands employed in boil
ing nothing undertook to go in to payal
but the wind proving contrary we did
not go in kept off and went to leeward
spoke the barque Clavier of New Bedford
60 days out with 100 barrels of oil
reaped down snug and by to in the p.m.
of better weather no more obs

Ship Wm. Thompson 1835

Friday this day begins with good weather
Subj 17 made sail and stood for Fayal all
hands employd in doing nothing
cooper at work spoke the ship spoke
of before no oil no more obs.

Sat this day begins with good weather and
light winds the same all hands employd
in working the ship to Fayal got in
and anchored about 4 PM 10 PM
sails and after dinner turn
on and cooper oil until dark Capt
went on shore and came on board
again no more obs

Sun this day begins with fair weather all hands
Subj 16 employd in getting oil on board the ship
to send ashore got it all ashore about 2 PM
then washed the ship afternoon all hands
employd in doing nothing sent one man
ashore sick no more obs

Mon this day begins with good weather
Subj 17 employd in doing nothing got under way
about 2 PM and stood out to westward
the wind being in our favor with 3
miles run away and one point on shore
sailed 3 more in their room 1
portuguese and two americans no more obs

Tues this day begins with a little wind from the
SSE and casting all hands employd in break
ing out for vinegar to pickle cabbage
mud and latter a good breeze with fair
weather cooper at work making buckets
and rose 10 PM blacksmith at work
in the forge and making of poles

Prize Ship. Thompson 1835

Wednesday this day begins with variable winds and
July 29 some rain all hands employed in doing
nothing cooper at work on hose
but blacksmith at work at the forge
mate and he had some mounds in which
the mate took the blacksmith's advice
hands off middle and latter part fine
weather land in site all round we lament
the loss of the Carpenter no more obs.

Thursday this day begins with a fine wind from
July 30 S E B E all hands employed in fitting
studdens sail gear cooper making an
oval wash deck tub land in sight in
different directions middle and latter part
very fine saw several ships but spoke
none saw a large whale just before
sunset with m. off, shortened sail and fore
land for him no more obs.

Friday this day begins like winds and sailing from
July 31 Eastward middle and latter part a little
wind from S E B E saw a large whale off
gray shoals just after sunrise lowered away the
boat and chased until after sunset but did
not get on come on board and shortened
sail in hopes of seeing him the next
morning no more obs.

Aug 1 this day begins with a little wind from S E
saw one whale, below the sun and land in morning
jobs cooper finished the wash tub black
smith strapping blocks middle and latter
part a moderate wind and good
weather we lament the loss of the
Carpenter no more obs.

Cruise of the Thompson 1835

sun this Day begins with a little wind from
Aug 2 S E B & all hands employ'd in doing no
thing land in sight at a good distance in
idle and latter part a pleasant breeze
and fine weather saw no whale no obs
mon this Day begins with good weather and
Aug 3 a fine wind S W & cooper making kids
brides sundry other jobs blacksmith
strapping blocks middle very warm
latter part run into the mickals bar
then hark't our wind and stood out
saw no whale no more obs

Thurs this Day begins with a stiff breeze from
Aug 4 S W & all hands employ'd in putting the
onsail gear B & strapping blocks cooper
making kids pass the head of St. mi
cheal middle and latter part set the
onsails and stood S W & fine weather

friday this Day begins with a good wind from
Aug 5 S E B & all hands employ'd in break
ing out between decks & regulating things
coopering bread B & middle and latter
part the same no more obs

Satur this Day begins with a gentle breeze from
Aug 6 E S E all hands employ'd in the same as yester
day saw a ship did not speak her name
and latter part the same no obs

Sunday this Day begins with a fine wind from E or E
Aug 7 all hands employ'd in putting
in hauling blocks strapping middle and latter
part the same cooper below as well
no more obs

Ship's Log Stormsaw 1835

sat This day begins with a lite wind from N. E. one
Aug 8. vach below the rest employed in fitting, rigging
garned with the Circero of crew Biglo
to 70 days out with 80 barrels of oil middle
and latter part calm no more obs

sun This day begins with lite and variable winds from
(Aug) N to E one vach below the rest employed
in working ship middle and latter part
a lite wind from N. E. no more obs

mon This day begins with a strong wind from
Aug 10 S E by E one vach below the rest fitting,
rigging, cooper making, a waste tub, blocks, with
drapping, blocks middle and latter part the
same ships course S by S saw a ship ahead
of our bow no more obs

tues This day begins with a strong wind from
Aug 11 S E which we thought to be the trade
wind ships course S S E one vach below
the rest employed in fitting, rigging, BS shap
ing blocks cooper making, a cutting, tub, mi
dle and latter part the same no more obs

weds This day begins with a fine wind from
Aug 12 S E ships course S S E all hands employ
in fitting, rigging BS shapping blocks cooper
making tan buckets middle and latter part
the same no more obs

thurs This day begins with moderate wind
Aug 13 from S E all hands employed in fitting
rigging BS shapping blocks cooper ma
king buckets and sundry other jobs mid
dle and latter part the same Sat by
obs 12° 14° S no more obs

Ship The Monifoon 1835

pro this Day begins with a light wind from
Aug 14 S E B & E ships courses & B & all hands
employ'd in fitting rigging B & strapping
ing blocks cooper making a hatch
bucket & other jobs middle & latter part
the same amos rounseville more fine
blank that he saw of man by the
name of ashloy wind his p - k
round a land neck and drag him
several times round a hall by hold
ing on the end with one hand we
think this remarkable no more obs

at the Day begins with a good wind from
Aug 15 S E all hands employ'd in fitting
rigging B & strapping blocks cooper ma
king a tool chest for the Capt. mi
dle & latter part wind carts move
E brace sharp between 8 and 9 evening
heaving about west capt. speaking
a vessel at this moment which I
know nothing about no more obs

sun this Day begins with a calm all hands
Aug 16 employ'd in doing middle and lat
ter part a light wind from I saw
two sail at a considerable distance

Lat. 13° 20' no more obs

mon this Day begins with a light wind
Aug 17 from S E all hands employ'd in fitting
rigging B & strapping blocks cooper ma
king a tool chest for the Capt. middle
and latter part wind carts move E
saw several sail no more obs

Ship ~~Rev~~ Thompson 1835

Tues. This Day begins with a good wind
Aug 18 from E all hands employed in putting
rigging and rattring down b.s. at work,
cooper putting, carpenters took middle
& latter part the weather some squa-
lly no more obs

Wednes. This Day begins with little and variable
Aug 19 winds and some rain and very warm
all hands employed in putting, rigging
B & shaping blocks cooper making
chairs &c. latter part wind S.E. and
fresh no more obs

Thurs. This Day begins with little or no wind
Aug 20 and frequent showers of rain and
thunder lightning cooper making, or
wiping paint kegs middle and latter
part much the same no more obs
except saw two ships

Fri. This Day begins with a strong wind
Aug 21 from S.W. and rain the most part
of the day one watch below the rest
employed in new putting the fore
top gallant sail got it bent by dark
and felt it saw three ships we
think the Lat. to be about $2^{\circ} 00'$ no
more obs

Sat. This Day begins with squally weather &
Aug 22 frequent showers of rain and ends
the same no more obs

Sun. This Day begins with a good breeze from
Aug 23 N.W. with cloudy weather with some
rain & ends the same Lat. by obs $7^{\circ} 50'$
no more obs

Ship Wm Thompson 1835

mon this day begins with a strong wind from
Aug 24 S W one watch below the rest employed in
working on the rigging B S strapping
blocks cooper doing sundry jobs at car
pentering middle & latter part the same
no more obs

tues this day begins with a strong wind fr
Aug 25 from S W one watch below the rest
doing nothing except to split the m
ain top gallant sail then sent him
down & worked upon him all the
rest part of the day middle & latter
part about the same no more obs

wednes this day begins with a strong wind from
Aug 26 S W all hands employed in fitting rig
ging & mending sails middle & latter
part wind came more easterly cooper
at work on carpenters tools wind
dies away no more obs

thurs this day begins with a strong wind from
Aug 27 S W all hands employed in fitting
rigging & mending sails cooper mak
ing line covers middle and latter
part the same no more obs

fri this day begins with a strong wind
Aug 28 from S E all hands employed in
fitting cutting pendants middle
and latter part the same saw two
sail no more obs

sat this day begins with a strong wind
Aug 29 from S all hands employed in fit
ting cutting gear finished before

Ship ~~Ben~~ Thompson 1820

night middle & latter part wind moderate no more obs

sun this day begins with a fine wind from
Aug 30 B & all hands employed in doing nothing middle & latter part the same
Lat. by obs $3^{\circ} 14'$ C & no more obs

mon this day begins with a good wind from S B &
Aug 31 one watch below the rest employed in fitting rigging cooper making line covers middle & latter part more moderate saw a sail off the weather beam no more obs

tues this day begins with a good wind from
Sept 1 S & B & one watch busy in little or nothing B & strapping blocks cooper making line covers we expect Septime on board before morning no more obs

wednes this day begins with a good wind from
Sept 2 S & B & Backing up his forge cooper making line covers & painting & sundry other jobs Lat. $0^{\circ} 45'$ S saw nothing of Septime no more obs

thurs this day begins with a fine wind from S E
Sept 3 all hands employed in breaking out after shook heads & working on the rigging B & doing sundry jobs cooper setting up shookers middle & latter part the same no more obs

fri this day begins with a good wind from
Sept 4 S & E one watch below the rest at work on rigging cooper setting up shookers B & fitting a band on the spanker boom middle & latter part the same no more obs

Trip Wm Morrison 1835

sat this day begins with a strong wind
light & from S E B E all hands employed in
breaking out after shocks & heads
B E doing mending jobs at the forge
cooper the same at coopering and
S E & latter part the same no obs

sun this day begins with a good wind from
Sept & S E B E all hands employed in doing
nothing cooper drawing line covers and
S E & latter part wind increases set the
fore topmast studdensail & kept
off S W B E ship going off about 10
miles Lat. 10° 23 no more obs except
noon run a line after breakfast & cattle
dropt & all hands to haul it in

this day begins with a good wind from
S E all hands employed in breaking
out after shock heads B E strapping
blocks cooper hooping meat with
iron hoops middle & latter part
the same no more obs

Tues this day begins with a strong wind
light & from S S E all hands employed in
making bent gaskets & working
on the rigging B E strapping blocks
cooper setting up shocks middle &
latter part wind very light Lat.
15° 57 no more obs

wednes this day begins with a light wind
light & from E S E all hands employed in
making nothing B E strapping
blocks cooper setting cope shocks

Ship Wm Thompson 1835

middle and latter part the same
wind came & E some fair backs no
more obs ship's course & ss

Thurs this Day begins & ends with W & variable
Sept 10 much good weather all hands employed
in making nothing 5 or 6 of them
scrap'd & varnished the waist cooper setting
up shooks no more obs

Fri this Day begins with W & variable winds
Sept 11 all hands employ'd in doing work of
different kinds on the sails & upon
setting up shooks. P & S strapping bloc
ks middle good weather latter part
suddenly with heavy showers of rain
S E P & S Double reefed the top sails
all hands on Deck till quite late saw
a ship standing & E under the American
flag no more obs

Sat this Day begins with a strong wind from
Sept 12 E S E one watch below the rest stitching
the main top sail cooper making axe
handles middle & latter part weather
moderate no more obs

Sun this Day begins with fine wind from
Sept 13 E B S all hands before breakfast employ'd
in setting up the main rigging after
one watch below the rest employ'd in doin
g nothing good weather after 4 P.M.
all hands employ'd in making out stays
& shoving off cooper unloading and
loading up. Took the head out of a
60 foot it in the mid. It over and took
out the other part. 21 58 no obs

Ship Wm. Thompson 1835

mon. this day begins with variable winds
Sept 14, but have all hands employed in mending
the stitching the main top sail cooper
doing sundry jobs at carpentering &c
So at the forge latter part wind changes
suddenly S & S & S and blow fresh
Double reefed the top sails no obs

Tues. this day begins & ends with rough
Sept 15 weather and plenty of rain one wa-
ch below the rest doing little or noth-
ing wind from the E sent down
the fore & main royal masts
hoisted the main royal mast out
of the crows tier & come near losing
it over board no more obs

wed 16 this day begins with a strong wind from
Sept 16 the E with some rain one watch below
middle & latter part fair weather but high
winds ship under double reef top sails
no more obs

Thurs. this day begins with heavy wind from S & S & S
Sept 17 all hands employed in mending the
main sail mended the same latter wind
increases & making stays for the dead
lites no more obs

Fri. this day begins & ends with a strong
Sept 18 wind from S & S & S ship under double
reef top sails one watch below the
rest employed in combing the
shankles and bending the close
messes made & latter part
the same no more obs

Ship Wm Thompson

1835

Sat this day begins & ends with a good wind
Sept 19 S E B O all hands employed in unben-
ding & bending sails & mending other jobs
ships course S W B O Lat. 31° N no obs

Sun this day begins with a strong wind varying
Sept 20 from S E to E one watch below the rest
doing nothing much & latter part the
same Lat. 33° 25' no more obs

Mon this day begins with a good wind from
Sept 21 S E all hands employed in mending
jobs cooper at work at caulking
middle some rain latter part good weather
with a little wind no more obs

Tue this day begins with a strong wind from
Sept 22 S E one watch on deck saw a right
whale in the P M lowered & struck him
but the iron dandy wind comes on to
blow a gale & right ahead no more obs

Wed this day begins with a strong wind from
Sept 23 S W one watch doing little or nothing
middle & latter part weather moderates
cooper standing watch for a week past
Lat. 39° 18' no more obs

Thurs this day begins & ends with a very little wind
Sept 24 from S with all hands before breakfast
for whale lowered & took a large sperm
whale said he would make 90 barrels
took in his jaw and made him fast
for no more obs

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Fri this day begins with a little wind from S &
good weather all hands employed in cutting
in the middle middle and latter part the
same finished sunset no more obs

Thurs. Nov. 21. Thompson 1835

sat this day begins with a light wind from
Sept. 21 all hands employ'd in boiling the
middle & latter part wind
carriage 28 33 but good weather no obs
except saw a ship which we took for
a homeward bound whaler

sun this day begins with a good wind from
Sept 22 all hands employ'd in boiling oil
middle & latter part wind carriage moves
and increases with heavy showers of rain
finished boiling about 12 past 9 eve
no more obs

mon this day begins with a strong wind from
Sept 23 all hands employ'd in washing
ship saw several sprouts middle & latter
part good weather one week below 10th
cooper making vent spoils no obs

tues this day begins with a wind with heavy
Sept 24 squalls of wind from 28 33 all
hands employ'd in storing down it
finished about dark & set up 8
drove the grove two stores down

95 95 barrels no more obs

wed this day begins with a good wind from
Sept 25 28 33 one week below the north

ply'd in sundry jobs Capt. getting a
spare boat ready for towing cooper has
put him then moved the grindstone
middle & latter part wind variable in
several squalls no more obs

thurs this day begins with a strong wind from
Sept 26 28 33 one week below the north

Ship Wm Thompson 1835

employed in sundry jobs cooper handling
hammers & Drivers B & fitting a fire chain
and fire backs all day middle & latter part the
same no more obs

Mon this day begins & ends with the & variable wind
Oct 2 from all parts of the compass one watch
below the rest employed in doing sundry jobs
blacksmith at work at the forge cooper
making vest spoils & doing sundry other
jobs no more obs

Tue this day begins with a light wind from S & E
Oct 3 one watch below the rest employed in work
making the waist B & at work at the forge
cooper making rings middle & last part
backs for right whales latter part wind vary-
able no more obs

Wed this day begins with a strong wind from
Oct 4 S & E one watch below the rest employed in
mending the fore to sprail the which we
carried away before breakfast got him up
in about two hours middle & latter part
wind came S & E with a good breeze

Lat. 45° 36' no more obs

Thurs this day begins with a strong wind from
Oct 5 S & E one watch below the rest employed in
little or nothing middle & latter part wind
moderates cooper making barrels vest
down the cutting pendants between 4
& 6 no more obs

Fri this day begins & ends with a pleasant wind
Oct 6 from S & E one watch below the rest
employed in little or nothing cooper making
barrels no more obs

Ship Log November 1835

winds this day begins & ends with a light wind from
set of the southward one wach below the rest
employ'd in breaking out & storing the
own. &c. coopers pebble up in his wach
below to hoop a keg of coal tar latter
part cooper employ'd in iron hooping
barrels of coffee & sugar &c. no obs

Thurs this day begins with a light wind from
Oct 8 38 all hands employ'd in sailing spars
miships cooper making bungs middle
& latter part wind canters east and blows
strong ships course S 35 by E going off
about 10 knots no more obs

Fri this day begins with a strong wind from
Oct 9 38 one wach below spoke the ships
wreck of Warren 103 days out no oil the
boat's master latter part winds variable
& squally Lat. 31° 55' no more obs

Sat this day begins with a calm at 4 pm to
Oct 10 at 2 m a strong wind sprang up from
35 S 35 middle & latter part wind
increases hove too at sunset under spur
ers station land not far off but we do not
not return yesterday P.M. sent 4 boys
to furb the main top gallant sail.
they were up there about a hour for
which officer they were kept up Friday
night without supper & all Saturday Am.
without breakfast their names were Bryce
Benson Arkley & Walter no more obs

Sund this day begins with strong winds from
Oct 11 westward and fair weather but cool

Ship (35th) Thompson 1835

middle & latter part wind WSW 55° 1 station
land bearing SW no more obs
mon this day begins with a good wind from SW
Oct 10 we make below the rest employed in making
those pins cooper making long & middle &
latter part the same this morning after
breakfast the Capt. ordered me to take out
bread enough to last the storage one week
and haul the casks up adding that if we
gave the fore castle gang any the worst part
in on a loan which order I obeyed Sunday
stood this was for their wasting the
bread no more obs

Tues this day begins with a gale of wind from
Oct 13 WSW we make below the rest doing nothing
opened the bread this morning middle & latter
the same saw a large ship PM turning NE
by E we took her to be a man of war no obs
Wed this day begins with a gale of wind from
Oct 14 WSW until about the middle latter part
wind dies away to nearly a calm & about 75°
no more obs

Thurs this day begins & ends with a heavy gale
Oct 15 of wind from WSW carried away the
the main topsail sheet & put him and
every thing else except the main spar
no more obs old son fixed

Fri this day begins with a gale of wind from
Oct 16 WSW but clear weather latter part
wind dies & we make sail no obs

Sat this day begins & ends with heavy & variable
Oct 17 wind with frequent squalls of snow & hail
29 weathering job stay & C saw a sail. Sounded the

Ship 18th) Thompson 1835

some way the first mate struck a boy by the name of Walter Dorr at three times with the end of the bartholomew ducting in going in to the chains to do a job for himself while the rest was at work, no more etc

Thurs this day begins & ends with heavy & favourable winds ships courses W & W by N for Diego bearing S E by E latter part reefed out courses & put the bartholomew ship sailing off 9th no more etc

mon this day begins with a gale of wind from Oct 19 W & W by N latter part wind came northward and weather no more etc except changed me not to take down to the my paper after the watch was called to which I made no reply

tues this day begins & ends with a strong wind Oct 20 from S W and squally & frequent showers of rain hail and snow of let over fore sail by hauling out the reef takes the ship bearing about S E by E no more etc

wednes this day begins with a little wind S W but a pleasant weather all hands on deck until noon without any breakfast mending the fore sail bending it making sails &c. until and latter part of and increases no more etc

thurs this day begins with a whole sail breeze from Oct 21 S by E middle and latter part wind wants a little but all day no more etc

for Diego bearing S E 30 miles 30

Oct 22 this day begins with strong wind

Ship Board) Thompson 1875

from W & W carried away the fore top sail
sheet middle and latter part wind came from
S & E moderate cloudy all day no more obs
at this day begins with a fine wind from S E
at 24 middle & latter part wind came from S & E ships
course S S E no more obs

on this day begins with a gale of wind from W
at 25 W & E with the wreck at 12 M. and took in
sail reefed and put the mainsail reefed & put
up the fore sail the capt. swore that he would
keep us on deck until we took it in if
it was till sunrise and more the day before
over that he would kill relay and a dozen
more before the voyage was up while
we were putting the fore sail relay was
on the weather yard arm about half way
out hauling up the sail when the sail blew
up and rocked him off down on deck
amos rouseville saw him when he fell
and said to me cooper relay is a dead man
he was heard to exclaim O dear while falling
this happened about 3 AM he was taken
into the cabin and was said to breathe two
or three times he was buried this morning
about 8 without ceremony after which we
were kept on deck till about 10 making
sail without any breakfast this was
not all the capt. was beating a man
at the helm at this time this happen
ed there was flood to be run about the
helm after the fray Low 17' 30
no more obs

Ship and Accompaniments

mon. this day begins 8, and with a gale of
oct 26 wind from E & W saw two sail one
bowed out the other coming before
the wind no more obs

thurs this day begins with a gale of wind
oct 27 from E & W middle and latter part
wind came S by E and we procced on
ships course. W by E 58° 41' no more obs
wedn. this day begins and made with a fair
oct 28 variable wind ships course E by N
& no more obs

thurs this day begins with a good wind from
oct 29 W middle and latter part wind came
E & W with a good breeze and clearing
weather tacken ship and stood to con-
tinward Double reefed the top sails
for the night no more obs

fri. this day begins with a good wind from
oct 30 E & W and good weather middle and
latter part wind came E by E after the
noon bearing E & no more obs

Sat this day begins with a calm middle & latter
oct 31 part a very light wind from E & latter
part wind E & S ships course E & S & W
cloudy the most of the day no more obs

Sun. this day begins with a good wind from
Nov 1 and foggy middle and latter part wind
came E & S ships course E & S & W cloudy
the most of the day Sat. 13° 16' no more obs

Sund. this day begins with a fair wind from
Nov 2 & 3 and good weather one watch before
the rest parting with ship on the main
the sail gave in the

Ship (Ward) Thompson 1835

latter part good weather wind W all hands
on deck tacking spars ships course N E W
no more obs

Nov 1st this day begins with a good wind from W on
forenoon below the rest employed in fitting boats
cooper making bungs and mends and latter
part wind came N E W foggy the most of
the day tacked ship and stood off at 4 PM
no more obs

Nov 2nd this day begins with a good wind from W
Nov 2nd and ends the same on watch below the
rest fitting boats cooper making bungs saw
fin backs all day double reefed the topsails
from 4 to 6 PM and furled the mainsail then
out reef and set the mainsail from 6 to 8
PM. no more obs

Nov 3rd this day begins and ends with contrary and vari-
able wind ships course N by W all hands employ-
ed in breaking out after nothing cooper repair-
ing old barrels good weather for the most of
the day but some rain the Capt. struck water
at the helm and ordered me to throw
all hoops over board that were not fit to set
not permitting me to save any scraps iron
fire no more obs

Nov 4th this day begins and ends with late and variable
wind all hands employed in putting up cutting
gear cooper making iron hoop doors for
the trunks and windry other jobs P B effect-
ing up his forge no more obs

Nov 5th this day begins with a calm all hands
employed in repairing sails 80 34
at night of the day

Ship Wm Thompson

1835

Coast of Chili

Nov 13 this day begins with good weather and ends
Nov 13 some got one whale and cut him in
no more obs

Nov 14 this day begins with good weather and ends
Nov 14 with the rain struck 4 whales and saved none
and lost one time no more obs

Nov 15 this day begins with a thick fog all hands
Nov 15 employed in driving the works cooper
setting up shaker saw no whale no more obs

Nov 16 this day begins with cloudy weather with
Nov 16 some rain all hands employed in storing
down oil saw three ships spoke the ships
Nov 16 from of harbor 4 months out with
13 right whales we stored down 245 barrels
then started the topsails no more obs

Nov 17 this day begins with a good wind from N by E
Nov 17 all hands employed in breaking out and
starting water cooper cooper and BC repair
one breakers foggy all day with frequent
showers of rain saw no fish no more obs

Nov 18 this day begins with a good wind from N
Nov 18 W & W all hands employed in putting down
to saw a large Island 3 points on the lee side
respectively about 10 ms distant at day break
called all hands and were ship the land at
SE we call the island Chili island where we
saw the main land off the lee side cooper
making a line tube cloudy the most of the
day with the rain saw three ships toward
at night no more obs

Nov 19 this day begins with a strong wind one cooper
Nov 19 now below the rest employed in scraping
cooper making a line tube and saw

Ship's Log Thompson 1835

East of Chile

other jobs the Captain called a man from aloft and charged him with being asleep and when he came to the rigging and threw several buckets of water upon him and sent him aloft with his wet clothes on until breakfast time then sent him up for breakfast and kept him there till 12 when he protested that he was not asleep the lands name was Bruce a seaman some two days but no fish at night took in sail no more obs

18th day begins with a light wind but a heavy sea
Sat 20th. Sails were below the rest employed in mending the main spencer cooper and B & C setting up breakers latter part plenty of rain
Sat 21st no more obs saw no fish

19th day begins with a gale of wind from the south. B & C arrived, the same one B & C below the rest employed in making spencer cooper mending an old boat when the ship rolled so that we had the same as the last night showers of rain all day saw no fish no more obs

20th day begins with a gale of wind from the south. B & C are below the rest employed all day in mending a boat that was stowed in the irons the night before the rest holding on Sat 21st no more obs

21st day begins with a strong wind from the south. B & C are below the rest employed in mending the rigging cloudy and cold all day. B & C saw whale hovering and saw but did not take any obs

Ship 18th September 1855

Coast of Chile

from except the mate struck him with
his fist for not taking in the slack of a rope
round a pin. Lat. 44° 48'

Tues This day begins with a gale of wind from S. W.
at 11 o'clock all hands at day's light and set close reefed
topsails fore and aft after breakfast furled fore and
mizzen topsails and reefed the fore sail with
of the crew below middle and latter part in
moderate plenty of whales all around us
Lat. unknown no more obs

Wednes This day begins with a heavy wind from S. W.
at 11 o'clock one boat was blown the rest employed in
in sundry jobs. saw a whale at 11 o'clock the
mate fastened and at the same time got
stove with his line and sunk immediately
his crew was picked up by the second mate
while the third mate took this line with the
capt. pulled up to the windward and while
the whale got her along side C. D. M. no one but
mated and latter part most calm and fine
weather plenty of whales all around us

Lat. unknown no more obs

Thurs This day begins with a heavy wind from N. E. W. at
11 o'clock hands employed in cutting coopers grinding
spades middle moderate latter part heavy
wind but fair for good weather plenty of wha-
les all round us saw two ships no more obs

Fri This day begins with a heavy wind from S. W. at
11 o'clock hands employed in cutting coopers mending a boat
latter part good weather calm and killed 3 wha-
les got one along side sunset took the shore along
side at break of day 4 boats towing all night with
nothing to eat or anything and slept till

Ship Wm Thompson 1835

Coast of India

Mon. this day begins with a light wind and a good deal of
clouds for the most of the day nothing to eat till 2 PM.

finished cutting about 1000 got supper at
the mess and then the wind is no more obs.
Tues. this day begins with a light wind and a good deal of
clouds for the most of the day nothing to eat till 2 PM. raised
crowd of whales before breakfast landed and took one along
side about 10 AM the mate got stove and came
to the ship. 1 AM with one man badly hurt
by the whale good weather all day no more obs.
Wed. this day begins with a light wind from the SE and
clouds employed in boiling oil and rendering it
fat and the latter part very fine saw
whales several but did not follow one obs.
Thurs. this day begins with a light wind from
the SE and all hands employed in boiling oil and
rendering it fat and the latter part very fine
saw whales several but did not follow one obs.
Fri. this day begins with a light wind from the SE and
clouds for the most of the day nothing to eat till 2 PM.
Sat. this day begins with a light wind from the SE and
clouds for the most of the day nothing to eat till 2 PM.
Sun. this day begins with a light wind from the SE and
clouds for the most of the day nothing to eat till 2 PM.
Mon. this day begins with a light wind from the SE and
clouds for the most of the day nothing to eat till 2 PM.
Tues. this day begins with a light wind from the SE and
clouds for the most of the day nothing to eat till 2 PM.
Wed. this day begins with a light wind from the SE and
clouds for the most of the day nothing to eat till 2 PM.
Thurs. this day begins with a light wind from the SE and
clouds for the most of the day nothing to eat till 2 PM.
Fri. this day begins with a light wind from the SE and
clouds for the most of the day nothing to eat till 2 PM.
Sat. this day begins with a light wind from the SE and
clouds for the most of the day nothing to eat till 2 PM.
Sun. this day begins with a light wind from the SE and
clouds for the most of the day nothing to eat till 2 PM.
Mon. this day begins with a light wind from the SE and
clouds for the most of the day nothing to eat till 2 PM.
Tues. this day begins with a light wind from the SE and
clouds for the most of the day nothing to eat till 2 PM.
Wed. this day begins with a light wind from the SE and
clouds for the most of the day nothing to eat till 2 PM.
Thurs. this day begins with a light wind from the SE and
clouds for the most of the day nothing to eat till 2 PM.
Fri. this day begins with a light wind from the SE and
clouds for the most of the day nothing to eat till 2 PM.
Sat. this day begins with a light wind from the SE and
clouds for the most of the day nothing to eat till 2 PM.
Sun. this day begins with a light wind from the SE and
clouds for the most of the day nothing to eat till 2 PM.

Thurs. this day begins with foggy weather all hands
employed in storing down oil and
1 PM and the latter part good weather saw whales
two and got none more obs. Lat. 44° 59'
Frid. this day begins and ends with good and light and
variable winds all hands employed in boil-
ing saw plenty of fish and got none

Ship ~~Ward~~ Thompson 1835

Coast of Chili

saw a ship but a few miles distant boiling
and charring whales no more obs

all this day begins and ends with a good breeze

Dec 4 from 8 to 3 all hands employed in scrub-
bing the deck cooper & Capt. mending a boat
saw whale 100 yds and sunk him the war-
ter boat got stove and cooper put on a new
strake saw 3 or 4 ships some a cutting and
some a boiling spoke one but I did not
understand who the vessel was obs

saw this day and ends with a good wind from
Dec 6 all hands employed in scrubbing deck
mending sails and stow of 38 saw plenty of
fish but very wild took one along side about
the middle of the day said the wouter ma-
ke 40 but when we began to cut said there
out. make 70 finished cutting in two
hours high wind no more obs

Dec 7 this day begins with a light wind and plenty of
rain all hands employed in boiling mending
fine weather took a large whale along side
that proved to be a dry skin we saved the head
and lips and let the rest go raised more whales
but could not fasten five ships in sight some
cutting and some a boiling latter part of
day fair for a storm no more obs

Dec 8 this day begins with a heavy wind from S
by E all hands employed in boiling cooper &
Capt. mending a boat finished boiling 28
saw several ships and a cutting no
fish today no more obs

Ship Wm Thompson 1835

Coast of Chili

Mon this day begins with calm and variable winds
Dec 9 from 10 AM a whale along side and cut him
in by 10 PM. Lashed out with 38 lbs
with some iron spikes the whole of
harbour 30 days in the coast with 10 whales
no more obs.

Tues this day begins with a good wind from N
Dec 10 all hands employed in boiling saw whale
as before and fastened about 10 AM and
hauled him up a 8 PM took him down
9 sides and began to cut took in the
8c and hauled down for the night the last
said he was the worst whale he was ever
fast to no more obs.

Fri this day begins and ends with good weather
Dec 11 all hands employed in cutting whales 11 AM
without any thing to eat saw whale three
times covered the capts. fastened that was
no more done than the cut was cut off
by the after throat there were 3 sides
and got the whole along side by dark noon

Sat this day begins and ends with a good wind
Dec 12 from 10 AM all hands employed in boiling saw
whale but got more cooper setting up the
cabin filling the coffee boat saw plenty
of ships no more obs.

Sun this day begins with rough weather all
Dec 13 all hands employed in boiling cooper cooper
setting up the shakes made the better part
very fine took one whale along side at
at sunset said we would make 3 barrels
we have stored down some oil today
but I know not how much no obs

Ship ~~Wm~~ Thompson 1835

Coast of Chile

mon this day begins with a good wind from N^W
Dec 14 all hands employed in cutting cooper setting
up shaker latter part wind blows a gale
with plenty of rain saw 8 ships and
no fish no more obs

tues this day begins with a fine wind from N^W all
hands employed in boiling cooper fixing bre
akers middle and latter part wind increases fine
ish boiling a.m. then went to stowing down
spoke the barge leader of Trafalgar north 8
whales Lat 44° 16' no more obs

wedns this day begins and ends with a heavy wind from
Dec 16 N^W and rain by shells all day all hands employ
ed in stowing down the 1st mate got his leg
251 broken with a cask of oil between this ankle &
his knee got through about dark no more ^{obs}

thurs this day begins and ends with heavy and variable
Dec 17 winds all hands employed in ^{unloading} the deck and fitting
craft cooper mending a boat saw one ship and
no fish no more obs

fri this day begins and ends with a heavy wind from
Dec 18 N^W one boat crew below the rest in the fore
in fitting craft and repairing the boats blue
cooper making a lantern bore for the Capt.
boat saw no fish no more obs

sat this day begins with a light wind from N^W all hands
Dec 19 employed in fitting the boats cooper hanging
a grindstone middle and latter part wind
increases saw no fish only 30 miles from
land by compass a bar Lat between 44 and
S made all the sail that we could and
off towing in land 2, the bar was in the

Strip Wm Thompson 1835

sun this day begins with a gale of wind from W
Dec 20 W all hands employed in making an
to ring in sail all day such as sweeping,
courses shaking out tops &c saw no fish in
water and latter part wind came to westward
and moderate no more obs

sun this day begins and ends with pleasant wind
Dec 21 variable wind from N by E to S by E
all hands employed in repairing a crane
and cooper mending a gun. Saw no
fish spoke a French ship and got their
water on board. Spoke to look at broken links
&c the Capt. got on again no more obs

sun this day begins and ends with a heavy rain
Dec 22 from about N by E one boat crew below
the rest employed in scraping bone &c
cooper placing an organ saw no fish
the Capt. by examination found one you
ng man forward had fallen off live stock
about his body no more obs

sun this day begins and ends with a fine wind
Dec 23 from N by E one boat crew below the
rest employed in clearing down coopers
&c the midshipman about saw no fish. stood
to westward all day no more obs

sun this day begins with a good wind from W
Dec 24 W one boat crew below the rest em
ployed in scraping bone &c cooper
and Capt mending a boat stood to S
the most of the day saw no fish in
water and latter part wind came to further
S some fine weather no obs

Ship 15th Thompson 1855

Dec 25th Day begins with a fine wind from W. S. P.
Dec 25th some work done the rest employed in repair-
ing the cooper and Capt. mending a boat in
the latter part very fine run in the
and the land to look for whales no obs

Dec 26th Day begins and ends with a good wind from
S. S. W. all hands employed in repairing the
sails cooper the same with sundry other jobs
made the land S. M. run on coast with
in about 10 or 15 miles of the land there stood
along shore saw 8 or 10 sporting fish a little
before noon. Did not know what to call
them took in sail and stood off shore no obs

Dec 27th Day begins with a like wind from S. S. W.
Dec 27th whales in shore got on along side about
noon after much difficulty saw he would
make 45 lbs latter part wind came S. with
a heavy shower of rain got in part of the day
and lasted down for the night no more obs
except a boat steved got his leg hurt with
the blanket brace

Dec 28th Day begins with a like wind from S. S. W.
Dec 28th cutting finished 2 P. M. saw no fish in the run
latter part a fine wind from S. set the watch 9
P. M. the capt. struck or killed William Clough*
more than once for burning blubber under the
arch I was in the storage and heard the run was
on deck no more obs *third mate*

Dec 29th Day begins and ends with strong wind from
Dec 29th S. S. E. all hands employed in boiling cooper hooping
barrels and sundry other jobs stood in with in about
20 miles of the shore no obs

Thos. Stone & Thompson 1835

The day begins with a heavy rain from
10 30 to 11 30 our boats were below the nest empty
and getting some things and things were
nothing for the first time in the morning
part weather was not so good as
about 3 30 we were out

Thus ends this year of our 80th ann^y
November 1835

Ship ^{Wm} Thompson 1830

^{part of the}
wind. This day begins and ends with a good wind from
S.W. & the Governor came on board at noon and
brought a lot of shoes and glassware and on
board and again &c. a lot of various articles on
board we which will weigh 350 lbs the Capt.
went on shore P.M. and came off about 10
at sundown the yards and kept off at 5 P.M.
the wind began with a fair wind from S.W.
the yards were employed in making up rigging.
the coopers keeping the S. m. the and
the part named raised saw no fish more
cloths committed to the S. by our Hon.
Capt. Thomas "Becker" I understood to day
that the boat a man at the helmsight
before last by the name of Jeffrey visited
him in Shell & C. no more obs
This day begins and ends with a strong wind
from S.W. & all hands employed in making
up rigging the coopers making best buckets ships
course &c. &c. no fish but few birds
no more obs
This day begins and ends with a good wind from
S.W. & all hands employed in making up
the coopers putting a board basket
above the ship however of 150 lbs off
Valparaiso within a few miles of the
land 109 days out with 100 barrels of oil
the Capt went on board after letters from
This day begins with a good wind from S.W.
the S. at 10 A.M. employed in looking and filling
the ship out of 24 m. the calm water
the S. and boats stood in and sent on
on shore

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all two men on shore one with and one that was
 hurt with a wound in the back. and several
 more away ship and men of whom there were
 no more left.

This day begins and ends with a good wind from
 N. E. all hands employed in packing and putting
 out our boat on shore and brought up water
 to look at the morning sun we went again
 and stopped 3 more men on shore and saw
 two that were away from the Company of
 New Bedford 38 miles from the shore and
 of sperm whaling a schooner in the harbor
 of Valparaiso and the ^{mate} of the Berg
 Danaberg ^{34th} March was heard in a few
 nights ago by striking the water and sailing
 off shore across on sea and stood at sea 35
 miles. This day begins and ends with a strong wind N. E. or
 fair a each below the wind employed in sundry jobs
 cooper making jack stays for the main topsail
 yard whaling saws & a short cross (S) saw
 five backs on more etc.

winds this day begin and end with a good breeze S E on
 Jan 13 work below the rest employed in mending sails
 cooper doing sundry jobs B S at work at the forge
 ships course S S W some fine Lat 41 and
 this day begins and ends with a good breeze S E on
 Jan 14 work below the rest employed in mending sails
 B S Strapping boxes cooper mending sundry
 ship's rale course S S W some fine back
 Lat 42 and 43

For this day begins our entrance a year round
Jan 15

49 *Fin. 150*

Ship *Wm Thompson* 1836

Coast of Chile

I found the country very different from my expectation
being very mountainous with only here and there
a valley that was fertile and very poor at that time
is perhaps 200 inhabitants on the island they are
from what I could discover very hospitable no one
one man below the rest employed in mending
sails cooper making a life sail B & S strapping
blocks Lat 22° 30' ship's course E & we were E & S
at this time began to rain a little from E & S
Jan 16 a man below the rest employed in mending
sails and making boat sails mending
and latter part wind let and squalls
from being sunny jobs at carpentering B & S
strapping blocks saw black fish in great
numbers but in water no more obs

Commenced with light and gentle breeze from the
Jan 17 or 18 attended with cloudy weather Middle Part
light breeze and cloudy at 4 PM spoke the Ship
Independence of New Bedford 4 Months and 15 days
at sea with 100 barrels of Oil Latter Part light
Breeze and pleasant weather End the same
Latitude Obs'd 20 1/2 South

Sunday Jan 19 (1836) wind came from a good wind
Jan 18 a man below the rest employed in
mending sails cooper doing sunny jobs
at carpentering B & S strapping blocks the
weather cloudy the most of the day took
in sail at night for 3 watches no obs
Jan 19 a good wind from
Jan 19 a man below the rest employed
in mending sails cooper doing sunny jobs
at carpentering B & S strapping blocks the

Ship ^{Wm} Thompson 1836

Coast of Peru

But shrappling blocks saw the land off the station
we have saw no fish. middle & latter part
fine breezes and cloudy all day no obs
this day begins and ends with the same and sailing
from 2 winds from southward one boat crew below
rest employed in various jobs and a few more
holes & a cooper carpentering saw the land
day saw no fish But shrappling blocks saw
about 1700 or more obs

Thurs this day begins with a light & baffling wind from
S and S southward middle and latter part a fine wind
at E one boat crew below the rest employed in
a little of every thing cooper to work at carp
entering But shrappling blocks saw no fish
this ends this day no obs

Fri Commences with light breeze and pleasant Weather
Saw 22 with the Wind from the South the Water on the
at Sundre jobs saw a Ship to Windward steering to
the S.W. Middle part light breeze by the
Cooper employed assisting the Carpenter in making
head boards Latter Part continues light & pleasant
Saw 2 in back of the Water on the Water on the

Ship still in sight Ends Moderate & pleasant
Sat Commences with fine breeze and pleasant Weather
Saw 23 with the Water employed at sundre jobs
employed assisting the Carpenter in finishing the
head boards B. Simpson measuring staves for them
Middle Part light breeze attended with passing clouds
Latter Part continues the same Sat Obs 20 Sat
Ends Moderate & pleasant one Man Sick and
Sund Day

Sunday 27th this day begins with a calm all hands
employed on board nothing

Ship William Thompson 1836

^{from the Port}
saw black fish and down with 3 boats
and all fastened but saved none inside a
large from. It was the land off Port 30 mile
dist. ends with gentle wind from S E got
one fish P.M. Lat. observed 13° 14' N.

now Commences with a calm all hands employed
Sanvier scraping and varnishing the waste the
cooper doing sundry jobs at carpentering
much very warm the thermometer stand-
ing at 77° ends with a gentle breeze from
S E saw black fish P.M. none but got
none no more obs.

now this day begins and ends with a light breeze.

Jan 26 from S E our boats crew below the mast
employed in washing scraping and painting
the ship cooper doing sundry jobs at carpent-
ering P.M. garned with the ship Indepen-
dence of New Bedford I passed an evening
on board of said ship with the cooper
Abner Dyer no more obs.

now as Commences with light breeze pleasant weather
Jan 27 the Ketch impeded at Saners job (saw many
cooper & carpentering B. Smith making Shap-
blebs I saw at the refinery job. Weather not hot
light breeze pleasant weather. Pratt & Johnson
employed painting the ship's head & bows
P.M. Put out to sea with light breeze and
pleasant weather Boat Steerer trying out oil
Crew with moderate breeze from the East & some
clouds together Steering in the M.H. M.H.

Thursday and Pratt ends this day's painting

January 28 this day begins with a light wind from

Ship William Thompson 1836

East of Borneo
The watch employed on painting the ship
outside cooper the same B. S. doing nothing
saw black fish middle & latter part continued
the breeze & pleasant weather course. Wind
commences with a fine breeze from S. E. the wa-
ter employed in working on the rigging cooper
making a gang-way board of Spruce B. S.
doing nothing at the forge on account of the sen-
ders flying on the point middle & latter part
continued with pleasant breeze and good weather
saw no fish the mate attended much to the
log of the crew we lament his appearance on
deck in moments

East Commences with fine breeze and cloudy weather
The watch employed mending the Kettling on the
lower rigging & Cooper employed at sundries job
see no fish middle & latter part continued the
breeze & pleasant weather latter
part continued the same with fine breeze
& pleasant weather Thermometer Obs. 11° 15' South
the Barometer standing at 78 at noon the Bar-
ometer observed it was rather too high

East This day begins with a fine breeze from S. E. the
watch employed in doing nothing cooper doi-
ing sundry jobs such as opening boxes of shoes and
boots putting on cleats on the bottom of the
medicine chest & c. middle and latter part con-
tinues the breeze and good weather Lat. Obs.
10° 48' South Thermometer standing at 80
Thompson asked of Baker for a pair of shoes he had
him to try on a pair of thick ones but he told him
he wanted a pair of thin ones that was the last he had
of them

Ship William Thompson 1830

Jan 1 Commences with a breeze from S E the
watch employed in working on the rigging
cooper mending a boat that had been stove
some time ago on the coast of Chili has
then a gale blowing off to the after brought
the red occupied B & strapping blocks in
cabin & latter part continues with breeze & good
weather saw black fish no more obs

Jan 2 Day begins with a calm the watch employs
sawyer in sawing jobs B & fixing a band for
the same mast whichs gave out off cap
horn cooper mending the boat in cabin
& latter part a gentle breeze from E S and
good weather ships course E E saw no fish
except B fish no more obs

Jan 3 Day begins with a fine breeze from E E
the watch employed in working on the rig
ging cooper mending a boat B & strapping
blocks in cabin and latter part continues with
a fair breeze and good weather saw great
numbers of B fish thermometer standing
at 83° no more obs

Jan 4 Day begins with a pleasant breeze from
S E the watch employed in working on
the rigging cooper mending a boat B & str
apping blocks in cabin latter part a
gentle breeze from E E saw and chased a
sword fish and that was our share of them
thermometer standing at 84° saw a
large Brig no more obs

Jan 5 Day begins with a pleasant breeze from
S E the watch employed in sawing

Ship William Thompson

Coast of Peru

job on the rigging cooper minding a boat full
at 6 P.M. B & S strapping blocks and minding other
job minding and latter part very little breeze and
variable kept a man at wheel from 10 A.M.
till 7 P.M. for sleeping at said place saw hum-
phreases and dropped one boat but did not fasten
thermometer standing at 83° no more etc

Lat. $7^{\circ} 12' N$

at this day begins & ends with a little breeze from
S E the watch employed in strapping beer
then blocks cooper making gear carriages

B & S strapping blocks Johnson and Bryce
painting letters on the head board then
star standing at 84° saw no fish no etc

at this day begins with a good breeze from S E the watch
at 7 employed in breaking out for water minding and
latter part continues pleasant breeze and fine
weather saw several sprouts of fin backs no etc

at this day begins and ends with a fine
breeze from S E all hands employed in
breaking out cooping and stowing down
oil B & S helping the cooper stowed down
45 barrels that we got in Lat. about 37° &
saw thousands of black fish but no whales
no more etc

at this day begins with a fine breeze from S E
at 6 all hands employed in breaking out and stow-
ing down & cooper re-strapping barrels and
sixty etc minding and much the same saw
thousands of black fish no more etc

at this day begins with a little breeze from S E
at 6 the watch employed in washing but a boat

Ship's Log Thompson 1836

Cooper setting up shakes B & D middle calm but
the part nearly the same some rain in
the course of the day no more obs
this day begins with a good breeze from
S E the watch employed in shuffling
buckets making man ropes &c cooper set
ting up shakes B & D assisting him made
the land 9 A.M. run in till within 15
miles then kept off S E till within
a few miles of a point of land then
shortened sail and hauled over board
off shore. Late observed 5⁰⁰ PM no more obs
this day begins with a fine breeze from S E the
fore watch employed in a little of every thing
cooper much the same fixed the Capt.
gun lock got in and anchored in Payta a
little before sun set a considerable number
of small craft lying there at the time
hauled all sail &c no more obs
sat this day begins with a calm all hands
Feb 13 employed in blacking the boards and
getting ready cooper cooper heading up
sails cooper went ashore in the sand
boat & of the town where he shot several
birds of considerable size better part of fore
breeze from sea no more obs
sun & moon set in a haze off the land &
Feb 14 fore watch black water at 30 PM the
fore watch went ashore in the sand
boat & of the town where he shot several
birds of considerable size better part of fore
breeze from sea no more obs
Feb 15 fore watch black water at 30 PM the
fore watch went ashore in the sand
boat & of the town where he shot several
birds of considerable size better part of fore
breeze from sea no more obs

Ship William Thompson 1894

Coast. of Peru
This day began with a fair breeze from the
S.W. & a fair breeze employed in working the ship
toward the land. Last night we lost the Bow
boat and 9 men of whom were the cook
and two boat. This the cook and
forward and 4 men. This was done by
the waves of 7 and 10 feet. The
captain went to sleep in his
to sleep some more but did not succeed
in this. At 2 o'clock wind S.E. and we were
sailed for Lima. After noon we were
employed in getting a boat in the cranes
and placed it that we lost last night.
Sitting craft & 8 cooler making boat
the unwary having taken 3 with the
middle and latter part of the wind S.
At a heavy shower at 11 A.M.

no more ops
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S.W. & a fair breeze employed in working the ship
toward the land. Last night we lost the Bow
boat and 9 men of whom were the cook
and two boat. This the cook and
forward and 4 men. This was done by
the waves of 7 and 10 feet. The
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sailed for Lima. After noon we were
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Sitting craft & 8 cooler making boat
the unwary having taken 3 with the
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At a heavy shower at 11 A.M.

Ship William Morrison 1830

^{part of}
saw a ship standing to south & west
cooper making a drum bucket and sundry
dry other jobs middle and latter part con-
tinues fair breeze and good weather
saw no fish no more obs

thus commences with a light breeze from S E by E
Feb 23 all hands employed in sundry jobs of mending
cooper putting up the turning lathe
B is making reeve middle and latter part
a fair breeze the same way saw no fish
we had some fried onions for supper
but we cut them up ourselves and made
a fire and the cook watched them no obs

Feb 24 this day begins with a good breeze from
S E the watch employed in working on
rigging cooper at work on the lathe and
cleaning muskets besides some other jobs
B is making reeve middle and latter part
a light breeze from E S E no more obs

thus this day begins with calm and good weather
Feb 25 the watch employed in making spinn
yarn cooper cleaning guns B is making
reeve and putting main springs middle
calm at 6 P.M. a good breeze from S
S W latitude nearly up with Calicut no
fish no more obs

Feb 26 this day begins and ends with light and
drifting wind the watch employed in
making spinn yarn cooper making
gun carriages B is making reeve and mending
dry other jobs too numerous to mention
at 5 P.M. saw a spout off the
other end

Ship William Thompson 1830

^{Coast of Peru}
saw, called it a fine back when the Capt
took his glass and pronounced it a greenish
all day the three boats pulled off and struck
him took him along side a little after
sunset said he would make 10 barrels I
said he would make 10 or more of
this day begins and ends with a light and light
fifty winds all hands employed in cutting the
whale coopers grinding spades constantly
from break of day till after dark finished
cutting about sunset had a heavy shower of
rain at half past 8 P.M. saw no fish

Leat. observed 11° & 12° no more of
saw this day begins and ends with a good wind
fifty from S & E all hands employed in
boiling oil coopers unheading wright
whale cask and cleaning them out for
spin oil handling and grinding spades
saw no fish no more of

mon. this day begins with a light breeze S & E all
hands called at seven o'clock to chase whales
lowered three boats and chased till nearly
noon without any breakfast I went in
the Capt's boat the same mate being off
with a fair log the north side of the
middle and latter part a good wind this way
no more of

this day begins with a good breeze from
North & E one boat crew below the rest
in little or nothing coopers the same I
turned on and coopers latter part a strong
breeze from the same way tacked ship
at 6 P.M.

Ship William Thompson 1836

Coast of Peru

and stood to eastward saw no fish. no obs.
wednes this day begins and ends with a strong breeze
march 2 from S E the watch employed in cleaning
spades cooper making a pair of crutches
for the mate and sundry other jobs the Capt
flogged a boy by the name of Nathan who more
towards as cook for being too filthy about the
galley saw no fish Lat. 12° 19' S no obs

thurs this day begins with a good breeze from S E
march 3 and ends the same the watch employed in
breaking out the blubber room cooper putting
down plank attaching ships and sundry other
jobs good weather all day saw no fish Lat.
12° 30' S no more obs

fri this day begins with a good breeze from S E
march 4 and ends the same the watch employed in
turning in rigging cooper making gun
carriages By doing the crew work and sundry
other jobs in the fore and latter part much
the same saw no fish no more obs

sat this day begins with a good breeze from S E
march 5 the watch employed in setting up the rigging
put a fore top gallant mast we having
sprung the old one a few days past cooper
finished the gun carriages at 5 P.M. 43 1/2
the most of the day doing the crew work
middle and latter part continued a fine
breeze the 3000 may tacked ship at 5 P.M.
and stood Eastward no more obs

sun this day begins and ends with a strong breeze
march 6 from S E the watch employed in doing
nothing saw no fish Lat. observed 13° 55'

Wife William Thompson 1836

Captain of the
no saying when he would quite were it not for
the other officers leaving the table which causes
him to suspend his gluttonous propensities for
a short season, after this he would indulge in
a sleep but is afraid of the displeasure of the
captain of which he has the best share of any
one on board, and therefore is obliged to crawl
upon deck which he does in almost systematic
manner upon the 1 hand and hip carrying
the game leg in a horizontal position
pointed trail a head which is the first rumour
of his appearance, which generally places
the man at the wheel in the said dilemma
unless the captain is on the weather side of
the quarter deck, which is the first thing
that the monster directs his attention to,
for he it known he is very ambitious, and
much concerned regarding the course of
the vessel for reasons too apparent that is
afraid he will be discharged which has
been repeatedly tendered to him, but for
very sorry to say had not the desired effect
indeed nothing but compulsory well,
remove such an reptile. - To be continued
this day begins with a strong wind from E
much of all hands employed in stowing down
saw the land ahead round the and latter part
wind moderates to a gentle breeze this
way finished stowing down at 5:30 PM. Dr
barracks spoke this ship's crew of 100
Barracks 5 months out with 100 of 100
the captain went on board and got some
letter but none for me no more etc

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Coast of Peru
under this day begins with a little breeze from N W
march I all hands employed in bending the cables
S. E. and getting ready to go in middle calm
latter part a little breeze from E spoke the
ship & the water of a few boats & canoes
with 50 of spinn. the wind was so light the
march could not get in no more obs

thurs this day begins with a calm all employed in
march 10 hauling Boats co for the same middle S
latter part a little breeze from S could not get
in to day for want of wind P. M. gained with
the attack of Sautucket saw no fish
no more obs

fri this day begins with a little wind from S E and
march 11 ends the same all hands employed in working
the ship got in and anchored in Calao a
little before sun set there were perhaps
30 sail of small craft there at the same
time among which were several brigs
of war and one ship of the line
mostly Peruvians no more obs

sat this day begins with a calm all hands
march 12 employed in breaking out after day
cask for water sent down our fore top g
mast mast and set up a new one the
old one being sprung middle and low
the part a gentle breeze from S E got
over cask all ready for rafting water
no more obs

sun this day begins with a calm half of the
march 13 even on shore which was observed by
my writing a letter to the Captain requesting
to know

Ship William Thompson 1836

Coast of Peru.
if he had any objection to my going and one
of the Boatsteers going we all assembled and
went off a little after sunset & noticed nothing
on shore that the inhabitants were not so
gentle as they are in the States the females
riding on horse back one leg of a side with
moss hats on &c. &c. no more do
more this day begins and ends as usual all hands
employed in getting water cooper the same middle
raft off 100 barrels to day. I sold my gun for
\$4 the mate has been on shore to day with
his steth a Sandwich Islander has been
along side this evening bag and baggage
from a Peruvian man of war. I gave
him an invitation to come on board
which invitation he readily accepted. No
more this day begins with a calm all hands employed
in getting water cooper the same middle
and latter part a little breeze from N. E. cooper
went on board an English brig to fetch
some casks that was packed with seal
skins I understood that the Capt. and the
third mate had some words on shore
by reason of which the Capt. told him
that he had no more for him to do on
board the ship I have not understood the
particulars. No more do
more this day begins with a calm and very fine
weather all hands employed in watering cooper
went on shore with the old man to
market and then assisted in watering
middle and latter part a little breeze from N.

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^{Coast of Peru}
our third mate is discharged and another
shipped in his room for which as near as
can learn he had drunk too much liquor
and told the capt. some threats and treated
him with some abuse which the capt. did
not like to hear no more obs
thurs this day begins and ends with a lte and
much variable winds all hands employed
in stowing down water with the excep-
tion of two the 4th mate and waiter the
former we shipped in Valparaiso and he
was among the missing when the boat
went on shore after them cooper on
board all day capt. on shore all day
no more obs

fri this day begins and ends with a lte breeze
march 18 from S E all hands on duty doing
nothing except the same Capt. on sh
on the most of the day just before
night came off with a load of por-
cel and took them into the cabin
where they made a damned hurroosh
our third mates chest went on shore to
day the 4th mate is still missing old
Richard as we call him still on board
no more obs

sat this day begins with a calm on water
march 19 on shore the rest employed in doing
nothing we have had some words with
the capt. concerning his passage from
here and the Mate and plainly told
him that we would have better
be well served

Ship William Thompson 1856

At least of some
go no further in the ship we further
requested him to set the white on shore
as not being capable of doing what he was
for after talking it over in consideration
the Captain said that he was a cripple and it
would be an inhuman thing to set him
ashore and said that if we would have
on the voyage there should be no such
use on board the ship when we were
to go out much. So the his mind being
we mean the narrowest narrow point of view
the day begins with a little breeze from S & S
March 20 all hands employed in hoisting water out
of the blubber room which has been put
there per order of Old Richard this name of
Old Richard is quite familiar among Skaters
middle and latter part a gentle breeze from
S & E one more man missing that we sighted
in sight the English frigate Blenheim
arrived here yesterday. No more obs
the day begins with a little breeze from S & S
March 21 hands on duty one more man away last
night by the name of Boyce who Old Rich
and was on deck brought off a boat load of
potatoes middle and latter part a little breeze
S & E took the topsails tonight and then
short then payed out again and let her lay
for the night. Old Richard has just disch
arged a musket at a boat that was approa
ching the ship. Captain not on board no ob
serves commences and ends with little and baffling wind
March 22 from sea all hands on duty doing nothing

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Coast of Peru

cooper the same we did not go to sea today for want of wind Capt. on shore all day no more obs. winds this day begins with a little breeze from sea and march 23 hands on duty doing nothing cooper the same middle and latter part a gentle breeze from S.E. got underway and stood out at 4 P.M. old Richard lost one of his shits while getting the anchor on the horn no more obs.

Winds this day begins with a little breeze from march 24 one watch below the rest employed in fitting their boats shifting the chains barboard for larboard S.E. S.E. cooper unwell and off duty middle a fine breeze ends little from same way no more obs.

Fri this day begins and ends as usual the watch on march 25 plays in fitting tables cooper unwell off duty B.S. making rivets ship's course W. saw a spout towards right of the anchor they were not spouting whales took or three more men sick no more obs.

Sat this day begins and ends with a little breeze march 26 from S.E. the watch employed in stowing puny blocks &c cooper unwell B.S. making rivets saw fish 5 P.M. shortened sail in hopes of seeing them in the morning broke out this afternoon after stops no more obs.

Sun this day begins with a fine breeze from S.E. march 27 saw whale off the weather was a little after sunrise we went after breakfast and the second struck one and saved him which we took along side at 12 and cut

Ship William Thompson 1535

part of June
cut him in before night - this is worth remembering
he will make perhaps 50 barrels I think the
Captain we pulled about 15 miles after three
others a being unable to come up with them
gave up the chase it is said that the mate
and the cabin boy had a brush while the
boats were off by which the mate came
off second best no more obs

more this day begins with a fresh breeze from
march 28. I am and much the same all hands
employed in boiling cooper fitting cask saw
whales 5 P.M. - towed and pulled about
5 miles to windward but did not make much

this day begins and ends with a fresh breeze
march 29 from S.E. all hands employed in boiling
cooper repairing cask saw fish 7 A.M.
going quick to windward saw a ship S
M. some distance off finished boiling
5 P.M. the mate lost his tiller last
night by way of nobody no more obs

more this day begins and ends with a strong breeze
march 30 from S.E. the watch employed in a
little of everything cooper much the
same B.S. at work at the forges saw
no fish kept off till two clock with
sunset and then shortened sail and
wind for the night no more obs

this day begins and ends with a fresh breeze
march 31 from S.E. the watch employed in, saw
jobs to mend our to mend our co in making
bungs B.S. at work stored S.W. again
and S.W. P.M. saw no fish no obs

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^{Coast of Peru}
fri This Day begins with a good breeze from
April 1st S & E the watch employed in sundry jobs
cooper making bungs B & making rivets
middle and latter part a lite breeze &
saw no fish no more obs carpenter put
at a vice Bench

Sat This Day begins and ends with a gentle
breeze from S & E the watch employed in
breaking out the fore. Peak the ship
having sprung a leak the carpenter
cut several holes through the skin
thinking that the leak might be in
a seam we could hear the water run
in quite plain at night we found
the leaked side of the stern where the
plank butt on which of course con-
ld not be stopped so this in side saw
several points of fire backs no obs
sun this day begins and ends with a fine
April 3 breeze from S & E some rain in the
course of the day ships course S W saw
no fish hauled on the wire for the night
at no more obs

Sun This day begins and ends with a strong
April 4 breeze from S & E the watch employed
in breaking out the fore holes and
stowing studdensail rigging in Cask &c
cooper made a tea bucket handed a
drawing knife and sundry other jobs
B & making rivets saw no fish no obs
Tues This day begins and ends with a squally rain
April 5 other and frequent showers

Ship William Thompson 1835

Coast of Peru
of rain the watch employed in sundry
jobs too numerous to mention cooper
Capt. and carpenter repairing an
old Boat. BS making rivets and a
brace but it proved not to be strong
so ends this day no more obs
April 5 this day begins and ends with a gentle
breeze from S E the watch employed
in sundry jobs cooper carpenter and
the Capt. mending an old boat run
N W all day saw no fish no more obs
April 6 this day begins and ends with a fine
breeze from S E the watch making
boat grippers cooper carpenter and
Capt. mending a boat. BS making
rivets run N W all day saw no fish no obs
April 7 this day begins and ends with a fine
breeze from S E the watch employed
in making boat grippers cooper car
ter and Capt. mending a boat BS
making rivets saw no fish no obs
April 8 this day begins and ends with a gentle
breeze from S E the watch emp
loyed in sundry jobs cooper and car
penter mending a boat BS making
rivets and a boat hook &c. saw no
fish no more obs
April 9 this day begins and ends with a gentle
breeze from S E no work to day
except got out some water saw no
fish Lat. 5° 7 South no more obs
there was a small brown party on
deck last night

Journal on Board The

Boat of Brue off shore
mon. this day begins and ends with a fine breeze
april 11 from S & E with some rain the watch em-
ployed in fifty jobs more or less cooper and
carpenter minding a boat Bot making
lances with stout shanks saw no fish
no more obs

tues. this day begins and ends with tide and
april 12 variable winds accompanied with
frequent showers of rain the watch em-
ployed in unlashng and lashing spars
cooper doing nothing Bot do, stored S & E
all day saw no fish no obs

weds. this day begins and ends with a fine
april 13 breeze from S & E the watch employed
in making grips sending down the
top sail sheet blocks and new straps
thru S. & E. cloudy the most of the day but
no rain cooper and carpenter finished
the boat all but putting in the water
saw nothing but five backs no more

thurs. this day begins with a fine breeze from S
april 14 & the watch employed in many jobs
cooper the same but Edge tools Bot
trimming lances midle and latter part
wind very tide and warm, weather fine
no fish no more obs

fri. this day begins and ends with a good breeze
april 15 from S & E the watch employed in
many jobs too numerous to mention
cooper repairing and hoysing barrels Bot
at work on lances carpenter making
parrallels thornomitar standing at
84° saw no fish no more obs

Ship William Thompson 1856

Coast of Peru off shore
at this day begins with a a little breeze from
April 16 at E the watch employed in sundry jobs
to numerous to mention cooper repairing
old breakers carpenter making fair leaders
B & fitting fluke chains &c. Amos and Laffrey
studying navigation last night there was
a heavy squall at the helm middle
and latter part a strong breeze the same
way saw no fish no more etc

at this day begins and ends with a good breeze
April 17 from S & all hands employed in doing

nothing Cooper the same saw five backs
several times and plenty of Porpoises
Lat 4° of the north after trading with one
of the hands and giving him an old shirt
for a new Duck back was heard to say it
is time that I prepared myself to die now

now the day begins and ends with a good breeze
April 18 from S & the watch employed in spr

outing potatoes &c. cooper repairing old
breakers B & making fastenings for the
butt C making fair leaders saw no fish
spoke the ship Abigail of New

Bedford's was out with the 75 of sperm
saw letters for me, heard from our men

that were away off Pigeon and that they
were in Pigeon the day after we left

there the last time and that they had
shipped on board the Perdueas all the

the most of them no more etc
this day begins and ends with a good breeze

April 19 from S & the watch employed in

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Sundry jobs, the spun yarn reel not having
been in operation this day. Cooper finish-
ing inside of the Boat Blacksmith making
hangers making for the Males Bult. &
Sundry other jobs, from which he picked
up a little loose change, there not having
been much in circulation. Carpenter
mending rail &c. This has been a great
day of hammering we having had no
less than 3 mates from other Ships amusing
legs all (day, day long), our honorable
Captain having taken French leave im-
mediately after Breakfast. Saw no fish.
Longitude 105 West. Wood

Mon this day begins and ends with a gentle
April 20 breeze from S E the watch employed in
making spun yarn, cooper making bungs
knockers and washing. BS making rough
carpenter doing something I know not what
spoke ship splended of 500 tons 7 mo out
75 barrels saw no fish no more do

Tues this day begins and ends with a good breeze
April 21 from S E the watch employed in
washing the Masts, cooper doing sundry
carpentering making a mizzen top gallant
yard BS making reeve. frequent shower
or of rain saw no fish no more do

Fri this day begins and ends with a good breeze
April 22 from S E the watch employed in sun-
dry jobs too numerous to mention cooper
rooping old fresh water buckets the hoops
are some too heavy BS making hanging

Ship William Thompson 1836

for the signal ^{off shore} lantern reported at work on his
spar spoke the ship. Prudent of Sautucket
10 mo out 500 of sperm saw no fish no oil
at this day begins with a strong breeze from S E
Feb 23 the watch employed in nothing for the
first time carried away the fore top gallant
sail and the topsail sheet which the Bismund
after dinner stowed down our oil at 5 P.M.
saw a breach off the weather bow 5 M off
and with a strong breeze the same way no oil
at this day begins with a strong breeze from S E
Feb 24 nothing caught day middle and latter part
squally weather accompanied with frequent
and heavy showers of rain. Doubtless the
topsails at 7 P.M. carried away the fore
pendant &c. no more oil. Lat. 6° S
on this day begins with a little breeze from S E
Feb 25 and frequent showers of rain middle
and latter part good weather and a fine
breeze the watch employed in sundry
cooper making a draw bucket B & K
at sundry spoke the ship Prudent of
Fairhaven with 300 of sperm no oil
at this day begins with a little wind from S E
Feb 26 watch employed in sundry cooper making
a draw bucket middle and latter part a
strong breeze same way hoisted for and struck
a large whale at 10 P.M. and took him
along side at 7 after a hard Race with
redoubt day begins and ends with a moderate
breeze from S E all hands employed
in getting the whale finished 5 P.M.
saw no fish no more oil

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thurs This day begins ^{off shore} and ends with a strong breeze
April 28 from S & all hands employed in boiling sperm
the ship Isaac Howland of New Bedford
Ma out with 1000 of sperm saw no fish no obs
fri This day begins and ends with a good breeze
April 29 from S & all hands employed in boiling
finished six P.M. cooper at work the most
of the day turned up 52 barrels no obs
sat This day begins with a strong breeze from S &
April 30 the watch employed in mending the jib
cooper doing nothing middle and latter part
wind moderates P.M. coopered the oil spick
the ship Henry Astro of Hudson 9 mo out
with 400 saw no fish orders were given for
men to warm their clothes this P.M. no obs
sun This day begins and ends with a good breeze
May 1 from S & fine weather all hands
employed in washing cooper mending
saw no fish saw a sail right ahead
in Co. with the Astro all day
mon This day begins and ends with a good breeze
May 2 from S & the watch employed in mending
a new galvanized cooper breaking out
hogs B & doing something at the forge
carpenter doing Sundays saw no fish
tues This day begins with a strong breeze from S
May 3 the watch employed in mending sails
cooper putting old Riers Bet at work at
the forge middle & latter part squally
but good weather saw a ship to wind
ward chasing whales we think he got
no more obs

Ship William Thompson 1836

Apr 4th this day begins ^{at shore} and ends with a strong breeze
the match employed in mending
sails cooper repairing old riers the pipe has
been at rest to day this is worth remarking saw
no fish Lat. 5° 47' Lon 105° no movement

May 4th this day begins and ends with a strong breeze from
May 5th of all hands employed in storing provisions
350 barrels spike the ship Richard of
Hudson 2 years out with 2000 barrels of grain
saw and looked for a large school of whales
but did not succeed in getting fast they having
been previously galled by another ship
no more of

last night I dreamed a dream that I will
have mention, we had got home and I
went to work. William &c forgetting that
I had a wife but towards evening while
washing my face and hands and making
ready for supper where I happened to think
of her whereupon I took my hat and
said nothing to anyone but went in pur-
suit of her when coming near the house
there was a window open through which
I saw Eliza sitting by a table and Sarah was
crouching on the floor Eliza looked up as if
she did not at first know me but as I was
going in I heard her say that is my sister
when I came to meet me with the flat in
her hand as if unconscious of what she was
doing when we was very near me I awoke
and found myself in my bunk.

May 6th this day begins and ends as usual cooper

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off shore
repairing Cask &c. B.S. making rivets carpenter
making cables spoke the Barque Cora of
New Bedford 32 Mo out with 1500 barrels
saw no fish no more etc.

sat this day begins and ends with a good breeze
May 7 breeze from E & the watch employed in
making scrub Boards &c. cooper making
over old riers &c. B.S. making spikes &c. for
the carpenter to use in repairing rail
saw 3 ships and no fish no more etc.
saw this day begins and ends with a good breeze
May 8 breeze from E & ships came off W. cooper emp
loyed in mending his trousers all day saw
no fish game with the ship Spencer of
Edgartown had got in fish since we saw
her before no more etc.

on this day begins and ends with a good breeze
May 9 breeze from E & the watch employed in unbol
ting & bending rails cooper at work on
the riers ships course it saw no fish no more
saw this day begins & ends as usual the watch
May 10 employed in mending sails cooper at
work on old riers B.S. doing sundry carpenter
for making a squaryum Reel &c. saw
no fish no more etc.

winds this day begins and ends with a strong breeze
May 11 breeze from E & the watch employed in mending
the shankers cooper making a
rack for shankers game with the Spencer
we having sailed in company with
her for several days past saw no fish
no more etc.

Ship William Thompson

off shore

Thurs commences with squally weather according
may 12 with rain the watch employed in
lifting or nothing cooper at work on old
ribs middle and latter part a strong
breeze and good weather saw no fish
still in Co. with the splendid no obs

Fri this day begins with a good breeze from S E
may 13 the watch employed in setting up the
new stays cooper at work on ribs &c
B.S. strapping blocks and spindles for the
gunnarn Reel &c carpenter last his
mould middle some rain and pleasant
gained with the splendid no obs

Sat this day begins and ends with a fine breeze
may 14 from S E the watch employed in working
up the rigging cooper at work on old ribs
B.S. strapping blocks carpenter & repairing
the lower Deck hatches Lat 5° 00 S Long 117°
Sun this day begins and ends with a fine breeze
may 15 from S E still in Co. with the splendid
saw no fish fine weather all day no obs
the mate and water had a brush this
morning by which the mate was glad
to make off

Sun this day begins and ends with a good breeze
may 16 from S E the watch employed in working
on the rigging cooper on old ribs & making
a latter brush B.S. not at work good
weather all day saw no fish no obs
Mon this day begins and ends with a fine
may 17 breeze from S E the watch employed in
working on the rigging cooper on old
ribs

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at work on the lath bench B & Strapping blocks saw no fish no more obs
this day begins and ends with a good
May 18 breeze from S & the watch employed
in working on the rigging cooper on riv-
ers on the lath bench B & as usual
strapping blocks I shall for the future
say nothing of him except he is doing
something else spoke the Barge
Frederick of New York 3 Mo. out with
400 of grain saw no fish a Portuguese
by the name of Emanuel has been
kept at the helm from Day break
this morning till after dark this Eve
for giving an incorrect answer about
the ships course and this without any
thing to eat or drink no more obs
this day begins and ends as usual the
May 19 watch employed as before cooper do
B & B making iron work for the
Shank's gaff saw no fish the man
has kicked water this Eve for that wh
he was not guilty this the capt. do
and saw and roared out what is the
matter with that fellow and at the
same time telling him to go aloft
to the royal cross tree or he would
break every bone in him (water was
sprinkled aloft till 10 and then at the
watch rest of the night the day begins
and ends as usual the watch work
on the rigging cooper on riv-
ers

Ship William Thompson

^{off shore}
carpenter clearing tools saw no fish
and this day no more obs
at this day begins and ends with a fine breeze
May 21 from E & the watch employed in working
on the rigging cooper on river & making a
pump drain saw no fish no obs

and this day begins and ends with a fine breeze
May 22 from E & still in E. with the splendor
and within the distance of one mile
of shore the most of the day and she
has been among whales all day and
we have seen none on one fine back
which we lowered for no more obs at
1:00 Long 120° W saw no fish

and this day begins and ends with a pleasant
May 23 breeze & good weather raised fish ahead
and came up with them & and dropped
8 boats 4 from each ship at 9 A.M.
got one cow whale & two calves got
cleared off by dark no more obs

and this day begins and ends with good weather
May 24 lowered 7 boats for a fine back and chased
them the most of the day in E. with
the splendor no more obs

and this day begins and ends with a good breeze & fine
May 25 weather all hands employed in little odd work
ing cooper the same & repairing a boat chased
fine back a part of the day the Capt. yesterday
struck a boy by the name of Benson because
he did not mind to suit him no obs

and this day begins and ends with a good breeze
May 26 from E & the watch employed in

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work on the rigging cooper repairing etc
ours Bel as usual saw no fish no oles
fri this day begins with a good breeze from N
May 27 the watch employed in working on the
rigging cooper on old masts & doing some
latter part rains which caused us to
lose sight of the Splendid this is a sad
delama the guns were ordered to be
hauled to the gangway and fired which
being done for several rounds weather
more ship and night came on I shook
we have lost the Splendid no more oles
sat this day begins and ends with a good breeze
May 28 and fine weather saw the Splendid
sun about 1 hour high all hands were
kept until 12 past 3 Rose hauling the
ship to make her go towards the Splendid
without their breakfast afternoon
the watch were employed in fitting
the rigging cooper on old masts & on masts
Bel making can hooks for the Splendid
saw no fish no more oles
sun this day begins and ends with a good breeze
May 29 from 6 to 8 all hands employed on
nothing cooper mending & washing
cloths all day the skipper of the Splendid
on board of us all day until 3 P.M. we
having killed a dog yesterday
more this day begins
May 30 this day begins and ends with a good breeze
from N this the watch employed in
working on the rigging cooper on old masts

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^{off shore}
making a set of battens for the fore yard
saw a break but did not know what
to call it no more obs

this day begins and ends with a good breeze
May 31 and fine weather the watch employed
as before cooper the same But morning
the yards & as before saw no fish but
about nothing I judge the lions to be
about 128° & no obs

this day begins and ends with a good breeze
June 1 and fine weather the watch usual at
work on the rigging cooper on old masts &
on sundries saw no fish no more obs

this day begins with a fine breeze the watch
June 2 as before cooper the same and finished
repairing old masts for the present But
morning the yards & repairing the fore
top middle and latter part round masts
but good weather saw no fish no obs

this day begins and ends with a fresh breeze
June 3 and fine weather the watch employed as
before cooper fitting cask for water & on
sundries But the same saw no fish nothing
more only the cook washed the pig with
soap and warm water and rubbed him
off with cold the pig lived half an
hour after the wash

this day begins and ends with a good breeze
June 4 and fine weather the watch employed
in breaking out after cask to raft water
in and starting out of small cask into
large ones & cooper fitting them for
rafting saw no fish no obs

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which this smith is employed in making
saw no fish no obs
Thurs this day begins and ends with a good breeze from
Sun 16 p. E. & the watch employed in breaking out
after oakum cooper hooping provision
B is making a muzzon to said sheet block
they did not find the oakum in all day work
Fri this day begins and ends with a good breeze
Sun 17 fine weather the watch employed in
breaking out and cooper hooping provision
and found some barrels so bad that
we were obliged to start them B is at
work on his block no obs
Sat this day begins and ends with a fresh breeze
Sun 18 fine & the watch employed in break
out after oakum but did not find it
P.M. turned on all hands to pick some
cooper a painting no obs
Sun this day begins and ends with a strong breeze
Mon 19 E & S & passed a beautiful Island about
2 P.M. I should judge it to be 4 miles long
and is broad with a white sandy beach
and covered with green trees scrubby &c
and low land much resembling Long
Island on the American Coast no obs
Mon this day begins and ends with a good breeze
Thurs 20 hands employed in staving down 20 barrels
of oil and washing off the dunks began at
20 daybreak and finished 2 P.M. noble sand
Otaheite one P.M. run in handy and
lay aback for the night no obs

Ship William Thompson 1830

^{off shore Otahiti}
June 21 this day begins and ends with a good breeze got in
and anchored in the harbor of Otahiti 10 A.M.
furled the sails &c. no one went ashore but the
capt. nothing more worth remark

June 22 all hands employed in breaking out the
fore hold to find the leak and moving the
ship &c no obs

June 23 all hands employed in filling cask with
water and placing them in the stern to
raise the Board no Cooper & taking off the
copper no obs

June 24 all hands employed in breaking out and rafting
cask ashore Cooper & clearing away
round the stern and corking &c no obs

June 25 all hands on shore to day with the exception
of a very few this being their Sunday for reason
that when the missionary came to the island
they came by the way of the cape of good
hopes and this of course ~~this~~ makes one days
difference from our morning as we came
by the way of Cape Horn no obs

June 26 all hands employed in breaking out oil the
mate is off duty and bespoke his pa-
sage home in a Brig belonging to Boston
the Doctor having pronounced his leg
dangerous no obs

June 27 this day begins and ends as usual with breeze
king out &c one watch on shore

5 of the splendid's crew run away
among whom was the cooper no obs
June 28 commences with breaking out &c to lighten
the ship in order to find the leak

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Wed as this day begins and ends as before, one man
Sund 29 on shore cooper on shore setting up
shakes under the shade of coconut
trees no obs

Thurs commences & ends as before, the 6 found
June 30 the bark this P.M. in the space of
the stern cooper on shore setting up
shakes two of the splendid's crew were
brought to the beach about sunset with
their hands tied behind them by the
natives no more obs

Fri this day begins with all hands on duty some
July 1 varnishing the masts some filling water
& the rest below a ship cooper finished set-
ting up shakes no obs

Sat commences with the most of the crew
July 2 on shore cooper on shore for the most
of the day this being their Sunday as
has been already mentioned no obs

Sun commences with stowing down oil & ends
July 3 the same there was a large ship arrived here
to day but I have not as yet learned
her name no obs

Mon this day begins & ends with stowing down
July 4 & very warm weather the ship Mr
Vernon sailed to day the ship ~~Wm~~
Hamilton arrived here yesterday 25 M
out with 2500 of sperm no obs

Tues commences with all hands employed in
July 5 hauling the ship to another place got
her moved 4 P.M. and began to secure
things ashore in order to lighten the
ship no obs

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atahiti

work commences with breaking out oil all hands

July 6 and ends the same or with getting it on
shore & putting it in good order no obs

Work begins with all hands breaking out & securing

July 7 ashore oil and ends the same I saw from
off deck to day two american scammers with
their hands tied behind them aided by 30 or
40 natives attended with shouts & acclama-
tions of joy no obs

Work commences with all hands breaking out and

July 8 ascending ashore oil cooper at the fall
finished about 12 o'clock the splendor
left this port to day thank heaven
& left the cooper behind no obs

at this day begins with fine weather all hands

July 9 on shore with the exception of a very few
cooper ashore washing latter part a
heavy shower of rain no more obs

Work this day begins with filling cask with

July 10 water on the stern latter part found
the leak in the splice of the stern and
stopped it & got the cooper on about
sunset the Barque ^{of Plymouth} ~~for~~ ^{arrived}
here day before yesterday 31. Me.
out with 1000 barrels of oil no obs

Work this day begins with cloudy weather & some

July 11 rain middle and latter part good weather
all hands employed in storing down

Be off duty no obs

Work this day begins and ends with coopersing
July 12 & storing down oil cooper on shore
coopersing under a good shade no obs

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^{stakille}
wrens commences with coopersing & storing down
July 13 oil and ends the same coopers on shore
nothing more worth remark

thurs this day begins and ends as before with
July 14 coopersing & storing down oil the ship
Sagamore of Sanitucket arrived here to
day 2.1 Mo. out with 1100 of spearm
the splinter sent her boat ashore to day
in hopes of finding her coopers but without
success no more obs

fri this day begins and ends as before with coo
July 15 pering & storing down oil got it all
on board 5.3 P.M. but did not finish
storing down no more obs

sat this day begins and ends with the moon
July 16 of the even ashore the ship Independence
of New Bedford 11 Mo out with
425 of spearm arrived here to day
no obs

sun this day begins with storing down
July 17 oil latter part taking in shakes
coopers repairing cask & assisting
in taking aboard shakes &c no obs

mon commences with storing groome
July 18 coopers on shore asorting shakes mid
and latter part much the same B
sake and off duty no more obs

tues this day begins with rafting off shakes
July 19 and storing down latter part roofing
water down to the beach coopers asorting
shakes and heads &c no obs

weds this day begins with storing down
July 20

Ship William Thompson¹⁸³⁵
Shakes one head middle & latter part

storing down water cooper assisting in
the same no more obs

thurs this day begins with breaking out the
July 21 after hold and storing water & middle
and latter part taking in wood cooper
and davis hooping provision & c no obs

frid this day begins and ends with storing water
July 22 and hooping provision & c in the eve

there were about 100 Yankees assembled
on the beach to set at liberty the coo-
per of the splended whom the natives
had caught and tied the night before
but found him at liberty they having got
wind of the mob the barge "fortune" sailed
this morning when just outside of the reef
we saw her take 5 whales and sunk 3 more
no more obs

sat this day begins and with doing nothing
July 23 I took a walk back into the moun-
tains with the carpenter the ship James
Murry arrived here to day²⁸ Mo. cut out
1800 of square no obs

sun this day begins and ends as before last night
July 24 Sat. Walter was seen on the road with
a monkey jacket and two pair of trousers
on & c and a blanket under his arm the
natives knowing him to be one of Shiram's
men seized him & tied him to a tree when
Shiram came up and striped him to a gut
line or in other words entirely naked and
ordered him on board the ship no obs

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men this day begins and ends with hoisting
July 25th provision and starting into 60 gallon
cask rafting and storing water wood &
finish the coopers provision to day no
men this day begins with rooding watering
July 26th & middle and latter part washing
the ships sails and deck inside and out
& no more obs
men this day begins with bending the sails and
July 27th scraping the waste latter part all hands
on duty doing nothing coopers & sleeping
the most of the day no more obs
men this day begins and ends with all hands on
July 28th duty painting the ships cooper sleeping
the most of the day and so was many obs
here there was a big arrival here today
& Mr. from Boston no obs
fri this day begins and ends with fine weather
July 29th one watch employed in painting the
rest on shore at liberty no more obs
sat this day begins with a lite breeze of S.W. wind
July 30th & latter part a strong breeze from
S.E. & myself and two more took a canoe
and went down along shore and got a
lot of oranges by picking them off the trees &
put some letters to board the James Murray
this morning no more obs
sun this day begins and ends with fine weather
July 31st one watch on liberty coopers & the mate
painting ship carpenter repairing a gun
carriage and the rest looking &c. no obs
except there was a bit of poetry posted up
concerning Coasting

Ship William Thompson 1836

^{at night} this day begins and ends with fine weather
July 1 one watch on liberty the rest employed
in little or nothing the Capt. having
company on Board no obs

Aug 2 this day begins with good weather one
watch on liberty the rest employed in
sending down and stripping the cutting,
Pindarts cooper painting and varnishing
&c no more obs

Aug 3 this day begins day with little or nothing
and ends much the same the ship
Independence of New Bedford sailed and
when a few miles off fell in with whales
and it was reported that she got three
no obs

Aug 4 this day begins with good weather all hands
employed in fitting craft &c latter part
had a shower and one watch on liberty
cooper among the rest the ship Waverly of
New Bedford arrived here day before yesterday
18. No out with ~~with~~ 450 no obs

Fri this day begins and ends with good weather one
watch on liberty the rest getting off water
and potatoes no more obs

Sat this day begins and ends with fine weather all hands
on liberty but five men to look out for the
ship one man is among the mousing I put a
letter on board the same Maury to day for
Dr. West no obs

Sun this day begins and ends with a strong breeze
Aug 7 from S. and good weather all hands on
shore but five cooper on board with a

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^{stahitte}
sore foot there are two spaniards now among
the missing but we are in hopes of finding
them no more obs

mon this day begins and ends with the wind ahead the
Aug 8 most of the crew on shore the rest employed
in little or nothing coffer But some canvas

on shore and made a pair of trousers no obs
tues this day begins and ends with fine weather the most
Aug 9 of the crew on shore coffer on board all day the
ship Elizabeth Starbuck of Santeeket arrive
here to day 1 M^o out 2400 of oil no obs

wed this day begins with lite & baffling winds from
Aug 10 southerward middle and latter part a good
breeze to northward all hands on board
till nearly sunset when the most of
them went ashore no more obs

thurs this day begins with a lite breeze from N.
Aug 11 all hands employed in getting underway
when the anchor was up found the stock
was gone however stood out and then ran
in with the boat ^{& got} a stick for a stock the
mangy went out the same time no obs

fri this day begins and ends with a fine
Aug 12 breeze from the Eastward one Boats Crew
below the rest employed in fitting craft
sea Cooper making Boat H^og and
draw bucket Carpenter mending
Boat. there was some words passed between
the 3rd mate and the Capt. last night of
consequence of which the 3rd mate Mr. Good
rich says he will go no further in the
ship than the next Island which is not
far off no obs

Ship William Thompson 1736

Bound to savages to Savage Isles

sat this day begins with a gentle breeze from E the
Aug 13 watch employed in scraping the oak cooper
turning knife handles Bt making knives &
making an anchor stock middle & latter
part wind N E and a little breeze no obs
sun this day begins and ends with a little breeze
Aug 14 from N E all hands employed in doing
nothing and this in peace & comfort
Sat. unmoved no more obs

mon this day begins with a little breeze from S E at 5
Aug 15 A. M. wind shifts E and blows heavy with
heavy showers of rain double reefed and bent
the fore topmast stay sail at night furled
the fore & mizen top sail & have too no obs
tues this day begins & ends with a strong breeze from
Aug 16 S E and cloudy with some rain all hands
employed in setting up rigging cooper the
same saw no fish no obs

wednes this day begins with a good breeze from E all
Aug 17 hands employed in setting up rigging cooper
turning knife handles fell in with the
Sappan of Santucket and gammed with the
same about sunset a heavy shower of rain
thurs this day begins and ends with a good breeze from

Aug 18 E all hands employed in unbending and ben
ding a top gallant sail cooper grinding knives
Bt forging the same made the land 2 P M
saw no fish no more obs

fri this day begins and ends with a good breeze from
Aug 19 beat ashore after game brought off beat
beats and some fowls there being no hogs on
the Isle. Why taken

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Bound to Savage Islands
sat this day begins & ends with a good breeze from E. & S.
Aug 20 hands employed in backing & filling the ship
there was no track to day it being Sunday by
on shore last night & most of the day ship
no natives no obs

sun this day begins and ends with a good breeze all
Aug 21 hands employed in backing & filling one boat
going off & on the fourth mate that we ship
in Olatette & a lad that shipped in Callao is among
the missing but the Capt. swears he
have them no obs

mon this day begins and ends with a good breeze
Aug 22 one watch below the rest employed in sundry
jobs we have caught the two men that run
away and put them in irons and stowed
them in the run no more obs

tues this day begins & ends with a fine breeze from
Aug 23 the watch employed in sundry jobs cooper
making deck buckets & sawing in two or three
stock. P.M. at work at the forge the Capt.
released his prisoners no obs

wednes this day begins with a good breeze from E. & the
Aug 24 watch employed in sundries cooper making
deck buckets & making a pump trough to
go below the deck latter part wind lite &
basting no obs

thurs this day begins and ends with lite & basting no
Aug 25 the watch employed in drawing yarns &
sundries cooper finished the buckets & the saw
as before saw white water P.M. no obs

fri this day begins and ends with heavy & varied
Aug 26 winds accompanied with frequent showers
of rain

Ship William Thompson 1836

off Savage Island

the water employed in sundries cooper filling
ing iron ears on buckets B & bailing the same
& cutting holes in the pumps below the deck
no more obs

Aug 27 this day begins and ends with a good breeze
and cloudy weather the watch employed
in sundries nothing worth remark.

Aug 28 this day begins and ends with a variable
breeze winds are a very heavy swell raised whale
P. M. found the Capt & Mate got one
each took them along side and set the water
a little after dark no obs

Aug 29 this day begins and ends with light & baffling wind
all hands employed in cutting got them in
about sunset and cleared away the heads in
the night saw a spout towards night and
saw two boats but saw it no more Lat. 18° 30'

Aug 30 this day begins and ends with a gentle breeze & good
weather all hands employed in boiling cooper
repairing cask saw no fish no more obs

Aug 31 this day begins & ends with a good breeze all hands
employed in boiling cooper repairing cask finish
a boiling by dark breezes on towards night double
reped the topsails saw Savage Isle yesterday noon

Sept 1 this day begins and ends with a strong breeze the
watch employed in making gun-yarn cooper
repairing barrels turned up 13 barrels saw no fish
drew up fore & Mizzen topsails for the night and

Sept 2 this day begins and ends with a good breeze all hands
employed in making cut & starting sails to
get empty cask for oil raised Savage Island in
past 10 A. M. and passed the by dark 10 or 15
Miles distant to mind or recollect it no obs

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^{off Sargis Island}

Sat this day begins and ends with a good breeze all
sept 3 hands employed in breaking out and storing
off cooper standing by to receive sundry calls &
starting sand the barrels being chimneyless run
to the land saw no fish no obs

Sun this day begins and ends with a good breeze all
sept 4 hands employed in doing nothing cooper in
nothing A.M. P.M. making a pair of trousers

Lat. 20° 8' no more obs

Mon this day begins with a calm all hands employed
sept 5 in storing down oil as soon as the day broke

Dr finished about 12 middle & latter part a good
breeze from S.E. all employed in lashing
stowed down 12 barrels no obs

Tues this day begins & ends with good weather & a little
sept 6 breeze all hands employed in mending sails & coop
making bungs raised a large whale 9 A.M.
lowered and took him along side and got his
head off and lashed down for the night &
set the watch Boats crews no more obs

Wednes this day begins & ends with fine weather but a
sept 7 fresh breeze P.M. got the whale cut in 5 S.
Double reefed the topsails for the night the
steward was set at liberty to day having been
put in irons yesterday for some words the
passed between him & the Capt. no obs

Thurs this day begins & ends with a light breeze & fine weather
sept 8 all hands employed in bottling cooper repairing
cask finished the key by himself 5 barrels &
will finish the head by 12 no obs only the
capt. & mate had some words which were
not pleasant saw no fish

Ship William Thompson 1836

Sept 10 this day begins and ends with a gentle breeze and fine weather all hands employed in washing decks cooper the same it is a general report that the Capt carries a pistol in his pocket and has drawn it once to the steward and said that he had a great mind to bore a hole in him there are high tides no obs

Sept 11 this day begins and ends with a good breeze & fine weather not much doing to day cooper unrooled & off duty P.M. broke out the after hold in search of a pair of stockings which had been lost but did not find them no obs

Sept 12 this day begins and ends with a good breeze & fine weather after breakfast all hands were called into the cabin to answer for a letter which the Capt had found directed to him the purport of which was requesting him to lay aside his pistols which he was accused of carrying in his pockets or they should take him for insane put him in irons and take the ship into port no obs

Sept 13 this day begins and ends with a little breeze & fine weather all hands employed in stowing down provisions a little past 12 stowed down 75 barrels every thing has gone so easy & peacefully to day that it seemed like a heaven - no cursing nor swearing - bravo - I am in hopes there is a Reformation among us no obs

Sept 14 this day begins and ends with a little breeze & fine weather the watch employed in making scrub brooms cooper turning bungs & assisting in the same all fall to day sail no fish no more obs

Sept 15 this day begins and ends with a little breeze and fine weather the watch employed in mending sails cooper turning bungs stowed & S S all day saw no fish no obs

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Bound to New Zealand

Thurs this day begins with a good breeze and cloudy weather
sept 15 the watch employed in mending sails cooper making
knew vent spoils & making royal masts latter part
more moderate no more obs

fri this day begins & ends with a light breeze & fine weather
sept 16 the watch employed in mending sails cooper turning
bunges & on sundries spoke the Bargee & Psych
of Sidney 6 months out 700 also ship
Reaper of Sarracket 11 months out the oil no

sat this day begins and ends with a light breeze and cloudy
sept 17 for the most of the day all hands employed
in washing this day of the week having been taken
received for that purpose saw no fire cooper making
or finished a pair of trousers no obs

sun this day begins & ends with a stiff breeze all
sept 18 hands employed in doing nothing spoke &
garned with the ship Russell of Newburg
two years out 1000 also ship expended with
230 since she left Tahiti had boats stow
and one of them spoiled no obs

mon this day begins and ends with a good breeze &
sept 19 good weather the watch employed in little
or nothing we having garned with splendor
the most of the day cooper making vent
spoils & stored it is said no fire no obs

sept 20 this day begins and ends with a fine breeze
tues from the Nor East the watch employed
in sundries cooper repairing barrels am.
P. M. to work at chemistry & worked off
his spoils. Sat 22. 3. no obs

Wednes this day begins and ends with a light & variable
sept 21 the watch employed in little or nothing

Ship William Thompson 1830

Bound to New Zealand
cooper repairing Breakers & to work on sundries
saw no fish no obs

Thurs this day begins and ends with a lite breeze and var-
sept 22 iable the watch employed in sundries cooper
the same as before saw a sail A.M. but no
fish no more obs

Fri this day begins with lite & variable winds the
sept 23 watch employed in mending sails cooper the
same latter part a good breeze from S & spoke
the ship Isabella of Fairhaven 23 miles out with
1100 no more obs

Sat this day begins and ends with a gale of wind from
sept 24 S & all hands employed in nothing and the
most of them believe there seems to have been
a mistake made since we left Hytattuck
as to the day of the week we must therefore
correct this by throwing away one day as we
gained it or we should have two fold days come
together I think also that there is a mistake
in the day of the month if so it will be
corrected hereafter

Sun this day begins with a calm middle & latter
sept 25 part a gentle breeze from S saw five ships
& spoke none no obs

Mon this day begins & ends with a calm nothing doing
sept 26 to day except to Bend fore & main topsails
saw four ships but spoke none saw no fish
saw no fish no more obs

Tues this day begins & ends with a calm the watch
sept 27 employed in mending sails cooper repairing
Breakers saw 5 ships & spoke none saw no
fish last night about 8 Eve all at once

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Sept 22nd off Eoah. Lat 22° S Long 174° W.
we heard a rumbling as if men were running
fore & aft the deck this was immediately follo-
wed by a heavy shock as if all the cask were a drift
in the lower hold which lasted not more than
1/4 minute nothing more worth remark
Sept 23rd this day begins with a calm the watch employed
in nothing this is worth Remark cooper for-
mids midde & latter part a good breeze from
N. E. W. saw three ships & spoke none no obs
this day begins & ends with a good breeze the watch
Sept 29 employed in mending sails cooper the same saw
breakers 11 A. M. took them for a beach and put
the sail away at 4 P. M. but a fore topsail
saw no fish no more obs
fri this day begins & ends with a good breeze the watch
Sept 30 employed in mending sails cooper the same the Bo-
is now on horse the coal being all gone no obs
sat this day begins & ends with a good breeze the watch
Oct 1 employed in washing cooper doing nothing saw
three ships but spoke none saw the land not far
off saw no fish no obs
sun this day begins & ends with a good breeze from S. E.
Oct 2 nothing doing to day saw a whale 5 P. M. &
three ships after him the Isabella & the George
Clinton of Hudson spoke the ship Mary of
Sanducket 14 mo out with 400 no obs
mon this day begins & ends with a strong breeze from N. E.
Oct 3 the watch employed in doing nothing cooper
the same thought we saw whales several times
after 4 P. M. gamed with the Isabella no obs
tues this day begins & ends with a strong breeze the
Oct 4 watch doing nothing 9 P. M. broke for

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off Eooah

meat flour & dried apples thus ends this day
seens this day begins with a strong breeze from S.E.
at 5 heavy showers of rain middle & latter part
a good breeze from E. in the watch seeing
nothing cooper the same no obs

that is this day begins with a lte breeze middle the same
at 6 latter part a heavy gale from Eastward took
in all sail excepting the main spinnaker split the
main topsail while clewing up and parted
the bunt line took in the bow beam &
turned up the rest got through about 9
P.M. no obs

for this day begins & ends with a good breeze from S.E.
at 7 in the watch employed in little or nothing
steered S.E. all day saw no fish no obs

at this day begins and ends with a good breeze from
at 8 in the watch employed in breaking out after bread
steered N.W. - N.E. - & S. saw no fish

saw this day begins & ends with a gentle breeze from
at 9 S.E. and fine weather cooper cut out a pair
of canvas trousers for himself no obs

more this day begins with a lte breeze with some rain
at 10 middle & latter part a strong breeze made savage
Island P.M. & raised 4 ships a gaming run for &
spoke the ship Envoy of Providence also ship
Hamilton had taken 500 barrels since she left
Statute making in all 3100 27 Mo. out no obs

tues this day begins & ends with a strong breeze from E
at 11 the watch employed in making sail saw
two ships in the morning no obs

weens this day begins with S.E. the watch employed in
at 12 little or nothing cooper arming middle
& latter part

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off Sauge Isle.

Thurs this day begins & ends with a good breeze from
Oct 13 S & the watch employed in little or nothing.
spike the ship Christopher Michil of Kan.

27 Mo out with 2550 no more obs

Fri this day begins & ends with a strong breeze from
Oct 14 S & the watch employed in little or nothing.
good weather all day no obs

Sat. this day begins and ends with a strong breeze from
Oct 15 S & the watch doing nothing we are now bound
to southward again started all day no obs

Sun this day begins & ends with a good breeze & breeze
Oct 16 out showers of rain we have had another
corvus to day if it may be so called by which it
appeared that the third mate was guilty of
mutilious conduct & was therefore put in
irons and then chained to the mizzen mast
in a small room no obs.

Mon this day begins with squally weather middle
Oct 17 & latter part quite moderate the watch
employed in setting up the Bar stays no obs

Tues this day begins with little & variable winds accom
Oct 18 paired with heavy showers of rain middle
& latter part good weather with a little breeze
from E. no more obs

Wed this day begins and ends with a good breeze
Oct 19 from S & the watch employed in little or
nothing we are steering N for Tongatabu
to land the 5th mate no obs

Thurs this day begins & ends with a good breeze from
Oct 20 S & raised whale & A.M. hauled about 12
and chased all day before 5 P.M. there was

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23 boats after ^{off. En} him but no one got him we
lowered in ^{off. En} with the splendor & at that time
there was no other ships near these that came
afterwards was too numerous to here detail &
mention no obs

for this day begins & ends with a good breeze
Oct 21 from ^{off. En} the water employed in little or
nothing cooper making a suster saw no fish the Island of Eoaa is
within a few miles of us & I think we shall
put Mr. Goodrich ^{on shore} tomorrow no obs

sal this day begins & ends with a good breeze from
Oct 22 S.E. we set the 3rd mast ashore to day as also
the carpenter spoke the ship John Coggsbale
of Newport 12 mo out with 100 no obs

sun this day begins & ends with a good breeze from S.E.
Oct 23 Eoaa bearing S.E. saw 8 or 10 ships spoke the ship
James Monroe of Hudson 23 mo out with 100 no obs

mon this day begins & ends with a good breeze from S.E.
Oct 24 cooper making a suster saw whales about 12 past
one lowered & chased until sunset without success
fell in with the splendor white chasing no obs

tues this day begins & ends with a good breeze from S.E.
Oct 25 there is not much doing in these days cooper
made an ear saw the splendor chasing whales
a few miles to windward no obs

wedens this day begins & ends with a light breeze from
Oct 26 S.E. saw spouts several times the splendor got
a whale to day no more obs

thurs this day begins & ends with a strong breeze from S.E.
Oct 27 cooper doing not much saw no fish no obs

fri this day begins and ends with a strong breeze from
Oct 28 103 S.E.

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the watch employed in ^{off Eoa} little or nothing cooper the
same P.M. broke out for bay & spoke were
sat this day begins & ends with a heavy breeze from ESE
Oct 29 the watch employed in little or nothing saw
several ships but spoke none saw no fish no obs ^{22.39}
sun this day begins & ends with a gale of wind from SE
Oct 30 splended in sight all day furled the fore & mizzen
topsails & lay under a close reefed main topsail
& reefed fore sail no more obs
mon this day begins & ends with a strong breeze saw
Oct 31 whale a little after sunrise lowered and chased
till 3 P.M. without any thing to eat the
splendid boats fastened to 3 large whale & lost
them all we could not get near one no obs
tues this day begins and ends with a good breeze from ESE
Nov 1 all hands employed in bending fore & main
spencers saw no fish the weather begins to look
muggy again no obs
wednes this day begins and ends with a strong breeze from
Nov 2 & 3 the watch employed in backing & felling with
the splendid cooper repairing barrels gained P.M.
thurs this day begins with a strong breeze from ESE
Nov 3 the watch employed in little or nothing the
second mate & one of the men were set to clear
the round-house in their watch before for having
been caught a sleep while their watch on deck
latter part more moderate with some rain no obs
fri this day begins with heavy squalls of wind accom
Nov 4 and with rain middle & latter part quite
moderate saw ^{no fish} no obs Lat 22.39 S.
sat this day begins & ends with a good breeze from SE
Nov 5 raised whales P.M. lowered but without success

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spoke the ship Richard Mitchell ^{off Eoa} of Nantucket to me
out with 750

Nov 6 this day begins & ends with a strong breeze from E &
nothing remarkable today more than we shipped
a third masted out of the Sabella of Fairhaven saw
no fish Latitude observed $21^{\circ} 5'$ S no obs

Nov 7 this day begins & ends with a good breeze raised whale
at 7 A.M. turned him up at 2 P.M. got him along side
3 P.M. parted one fluke chain & then put
on two more & let him lay for the night no obs

Nov 8 this day begins & ends with a good breeze from S & all hands
employed in cutting finished and got supper a little
after dark no obs

Nov 9 this day begins & ends with a moderate breeze from N & E
all hands employed in boiling raised whales 11 A.M.
of which the splendid got a very large one no obs

Nov 10 this day begins & ends with a good breeze all hands employed
in boiling heard from the William Hamilton wanting
only five hundred barrels to make her 4000 finished boiling
about sunset no obs

Nov 11 this day begins & ends with a good breeze from S & E
the watch employed in sundries cooper raised the
scistern saw and lowered for a large whale just at
night but without success no obs I have lost Monday
altogether therefore we must call Tuesday Monday
Wednesday Tuesday &c

Nov 12 this day begins & ends with a good breeze & fine weather
the watch employed in sundries cooper at work on
the scistern P.M. turned on & coopered the oil saw several
ships but no fish no more obs

Nov 13 this day begins & ends with a good breeze & fine weather
lowered for & got a large whale along side cut in
the body & lay by the head no obs

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mon this day begins & ends with a fresh breeze from E.S.E. all
Nov 14 hands employed in boiling cooper hawking shades &
repairing cask had some rain fore part of the day
lost the head last night by the parting of the fluke chain
which was made fast to it probably by the chains being
hauled in too tight. no obs

tues this day begins & ends with a good breeze all hands
Nov 15 employed in washing ship boarding sails &c B.S. mending
fluke chains cooper drawing oil carrying brass hoops turned
up 50 barrels of oil no obs

wedens this day begins & ends with a good breeze and fine weather
Nov 16 the watch employed in sundries cooper at work on the
sister B.S. repairing fluke chains saw no fish no obs

thurs this day begins & ends with a good breeze from S.E. the
Nov 17 watch employed in breaking out after water cask
to stow down fire oil cooper at work on the sister
saw no fish no obs

fri this day begins & ends with a good breeze from S.E. all
Nov 18 hands employed in stowing down oil stowed down 120
barrels finished before night and washed the deck several
120 white water several times no obs

sat this day begins & ends with a heavy breeze from S.E.
Nov 19 the watch employed in mending unbending &
tending sails cooper finished the sister saw no fish no obs

sun this day begins & ends with a good breeze raised whales about
Nov 20 11 A.M. lowered chased all day and among eight boats got
one our first mate got the head of his boat knocked off
by fastening to Capt. Lucie's whale there was 3 schools
of about a dozen each no obs

mon this day begins & ends with a good breeze the watch employed
Nov 21 employed in mending a boat cooper placed the sister
and scuttled the deck over it no obs

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^{off sea}
tues this day begins & ends with a good breeze the watch
Nov 22 employed in sundries cooper and the Capt. repairing
a boat saw no fish no obs

wednes this day begins and ends with a good breeze the watch
Nov 23 employed in sundries cooper and Capt. mending a boat
saw the Hamilton lake a whale this morning there
was several more ships in sight at the same time saw
white water towards night no more obs

thurs this day begins & ends with squally weather accompanied
Nov 24 with frequent showers of rain there was a man called aft
this morning put on Irons and stowed in the run for
fighting which measure occasioned a general clamour among
the foremast hands in so much that they refused duty but
however after some two or three hours the man was set
at liberty and they again went to their duty as obs

fri this day begins & ends with squally weather accompanied
Nov 25 with rain latter part fine weather but before 8 P.M.
comes on cloudy again saw no fish no obs

satt this day begins & ends with light and variable winds from
Nov 26 Westward and fine weather the watch employed in sundry
job cooper and Capt. mending another boat the bread
was out this morning and as yet it has not been replenish
shed perhaps this is owing to forgetfulness no more obs

sun this day begins & ends with a gentle breeze from N.W.
Nov 27 the watch employed in breaking out for bread flour &c
nothing remarkable to day saw no fish

mon this day begins & ends with a very late breeze the watch employed
Nov 28 in setting up the head stags cooper repairing cask B.S.
making revits for the Splendid & Harpoon and took on
deck a shark about 11 feet in length no obs

tues this day begins with a late breeze from N. the watch
Nov 29 employed in sundries cooper setting up shakes mending
one

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and latter part wind ^{off} breeze on and cloudy saw Eoa 40
bearing S. W. by W. distance about 40 miles no obs
noticed this day begins with a little breeze from W. the watch
at 30 employed in sundries cooper setting up shakes raised whale
half past 8 A.M. $\frac{3}{4}$ of a mile from the ship going
very slow towed after he went down and never saw
him again no obs

thus this day begins & ends with a good breeze from S & the
Dec. 1 watch employed in sundries cooper as before there is
a gun between us this eve. saw no fish no obs

Dec. 2 this day begins and ends with a good breeze the watch em-
ployed in sundries cooper as before spoke the ship saw
largest of the same place reported the Hamilton
with thirty five hundred and four large whales
turned up no more remarks

sat this day begins and ends with a good breeze from S &
Dec. 3 the watch employed in sundries cooper serving traps
keeps hand on an axe given some tools &c no obs

sun this day begins and ends with a good breeze from S &
Dec. 4 cooper mending his trousers bid fair for some rain
before morning no more obs

moon this day begins & ends with a good breeze the watch
Dec. 5 employed in mending in the spritsail yard cooper
setting up shakes heaving off rotten sails cutting the
mats are again S.E. saw several ships no obs

thus this day begins and ends with a little breeze the watch on
Dec. 6 employed in sundries cooper repairing barrels saw some
ships but no fish no obs

noticed this day begins with a good breeze & cloudy the watch employed in
Dec. 7 sundries cooper setting up shakes raised whale and towed for
them about 2 P.M. but hardly had we done this when a
heavy squall struck and the boats were obliged to come

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on board again close reefed the ^{the fore} top sails immediately made all fast
got supper and reefed the fore sail the rain still continuing but
not much wind no obs

thus commences with little breeze and cloudy weather & ends much the
Dec 8 same the watch employed in sundries cooper setting up shak-
saw no fish nothing more worth except the second mate
is off duty his leg being very bad

Dec 9 commences with little wind & heavy showers of rain followed
by a very hot sun latter part good weather but cloudy
got the mizen top gaffant sail to mend and did so cooper
as before no obs

Dec 10 this day begins and ends with little and variable winds the
watch employed in sundries cooper setting up an old
cask hoops & shakis &c cloudy all day no obs

Dec 11 commences and ends with little and variable winds accom-
panied with incessant rain the Capt on board the
splendid the most of the day cooper washings no obs

Dec 12 mon this day begins with a little breeze and decent weather some
rain before 12 middle good weather latter blows on but dry
close reefed for the night no obs

Dec 13 Tues begins with strong breezes and ends much the same the
watch employed in mending an old top-sail cooper
assisting in the same saw no fish no obs

Dec 14 Wednes this day begins and ends with a good breeze the watch
employed in the same as before cooper the same
saw a whale towards night heard three boats but saw
him no more no obs

Dec 15 Thurs this day begins & ends with a good breeze the watch
employed as before cooper the same been steering to southward
for two or three days past saw no fish latitude $23^{\circ} 30'$
on the abattois no obs

Dec 16 Fri this day begins and ends with a good breeze the watch emp-
loyed

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as before: cooper the same finished time enough to serve both fore and main topsails and stow the others in the sail-room before dark no more obs

sat. this day begins and ends with a good breeze the watch employed Dec 17 in mending sails cooper making: worn spugs saw white water several times which proved to be porpoises tacked ship at 12 no obs

sun. this day begins and ends with a good breeze and a strong trade sea the watch employed in evening nothing cooper the same had a game with the splendid after 4 no obs

mon. this day begins with cloudy weather the watch was Dec 18 going to be employed in mending sails but saw whales and took one and worked the most of the night to get him in middle and latter part five

two males and a B steered off dutch no obs
tues. this day begins and ends with a fine breeze and pleasant Dec 20 and weather all hands employed in jugging and jugging body out before 12 at night no obs
wednes commences with fine weather and a little breeze and ends Dec 21 much the same all hands employed in boiling and washing ship finished and got washed off about 1 P.M. saw no fish no obs

thurs commences with a little breeze and pleasant weather the Dec 22 watch employed in little or nothing cooper at work on shakes hauled for a large whale 2 P.M. and chased until sunset without success we visited partnership with the splendid last night no obs latitude 28° S.

fri. this day begins and ends with a good breeze and fine weather Dec 23 the watch employed in sundries cooper setting up the raised sand island this morning now in hand and at 5 P.M. saw whales going quick to leeward and we did not lower no obs.

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sat this day begins ^{off sundae island} and ends with a life breeze the water
Dec 24 employed in sundries cooper as before saw several ships
and one whale with Boats in chase no obs

sun this day begins and ends with a good breeze and fine weather

Dec 25 saw 8 or 10 ships and as many jumpers which was
cried for spouts from the fore top gallant cross trees
land about 20 or 30 miles distant on obs lat 28° 31'

mon this day begins and ends with a good weather the
Dec 26 watch employed in sundries cooper setting up stakes
saw the splenda take a fish a few miles off and
several more ships in sight no obs

tues this day begins with a good breeze the watch employed
Dec 27 layed in making) scummet & cooper as before
middle and latter part looks squally saw no whale
but plenty of jumpers saw the land this morning
about forty miles distant no obs

wedens this day begins and ends with a good breeze from S.W.

Dec 28 the watch employed in sundries cooper as before after 4
unbent & bent a fress sail saw jumpers several times

thurs this day begins and ends with a good or heavy breeze

Dec 29 from N.E. W. the watch employed in sundries cooper making
warm fogs saw no fish double reefed the topsails for the
night no obs

fri this day begins & ends with a good breeze from S.W.

Dec 30 the watch employed in sundries cooper hoisting off
shakes 2 P.M. broke out for meat slops &c no obs

sat this day begins and ends with a pleasant breeze from

Dec 31 S.W. the watch employed in sundries cooper finished
the shakes 2 P.M. raised a gam of whales landed
and chased until sunset without success double reefed
for the night no obs Thus end this year of our
Lord and Saviour 1836

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Bound Southward
Such luck we had as made us sad

In the year that's past and gone

But we live in hopes of better times

In that which is to come

sun

Jan 1 this day begins and ends with a pleasant breeze from
S.E. the watch employed in doing nothing cooper
the same saw no fish no more obs

mon this day begins and ends with a light breeze & fine

Jan 2 weather all hands employed in stowing down
oil stowed down 63 barrels and finished by 10 o'clock

63 P.M. washed deck and got out water no obs

tues this day begins and ends with a pleasant breeze

Jan 3 the watch employed in sundries cooper making
a carriage to cart oil from the coter B.S. &c.
the iron work for the same saw no fish spoke
the ship's Ganges of Bristol R.S. 10 Mo. out with
10 barrels had lost the Capt. and boats crew a
few weeks past it was supposed that the boat was
taken down with foul lines

wednes this day begins with a calm the watch employed in

Jan 4 sundries cooper as before middle and latter part a light
breeze the doctor came aboard to look at the 2^d males
saw B fish no obs

thurs this day begins and with a whole sail breeze the water

Jan 5 employed in mending sails cooper and B.S. finished the
carriage saw a spout about half past 11 within half
mile of the ship loaded two boats but saw no more of it
some called it a sperm whale others a sea serpent

fri this day begins and ends with a fresh breeze from

Jan 6 S.E. the watch employed in mending sails cooper
repairing 20 Riers saw a ship and run for the

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but she would not leave aback at 5¹/₂ P.M. fore
too under sheet said no more obs

Jan 7 this day begins and ends with a gale of wind from
S.W. N.E. the watch employed in securing down
and mending the main sail the sea breaking
on to it. Now & then saw a game of large whales
this morning but the weather prevented us from
lowering no obs

Jan 8 this day begins & ends about the same as before sometimes
Jan 8 lighter and sometimes heavier nothing doing to day

saw no fish Latitude by observation 32° 08' South

Jan 9 this day begins with a gale from N.E. took in the fore
Jan 9 boat & turned up the waist latter part wind dies and
hauled about N. and rains incessantly no obs

Jan 10 this day begins with a good breeze from N.E. W.

Jan 10 the watch employed in mending sails cooper the
same middle & latter part wind very light
cooper calking the deck fine weather no obs

Jan 11 this day begins and ends with a pleasant breeze from

Jan 11 N.W. the watch employed in sundries cooper calking

spoke the ship Dartmouth of New Bedford 6 months old
with 150 spearm direct from the Bay of Ireland saw

Zealand saw also 3 other ships Mount Vernon of San
tacket had got 1000 since she left Nantucket no obs

Jan 12 this day begins and with a good breeze from N.W.

Jan 12 S.W. the watch employed in sundries cooper calking
the Mount Vernon has kept company with us all
day saw no fish no obs

Jan 13 this day begins and ends with a good breeze but variable

Jan 13 the watch employed in sundries cooper mending about
putting in a new gunwale &c. saw no fish
no more observations

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Sat this day begins and ends with a good breeze from S.E.
Jan 4 the watch employed in picking oakum cooper repairs
ricks ran before the wind all day saw no fish no obs
sun this day begins and ends with a pleasant breeze from E.S.E.
Jan 5 and fine weather saw 2 or 3 ships to leeward and a
great number of B fish but no whale no obs
mon this day begins and ends with a light breeze from S.W.
Jan 6 not where the watch employed in sundries cooper repairing
ricks Mrs Rouseville pronounced third officer of the
Mrs Thompson to day about 5 P.M. by Capt Weeks
saw two ships but no fish no obs
tues this day begins and ends with a pleasant breeze from S.W.
Jan 7 went quarters cooper refuelling ricks the watch employed
in sundries spoke the ship William Mott of Fairhaven
nearly three years out with 2500 of spearm
wedens this day begins and ends with a fresh breeze from E.S.E.
Jan 8 the watch employed in sundries cooper doing nothing
saw french rock this morning bearing N.E. by N. spoke
the ship Mount Vernon just at dusk no obs
thurs this day begins and ends with a heavy breeze the watch
Jan 9 employed in little or nothing cooper the same spoke
the ship Mary Mitchell of Nantucket 18 mo out with
1400 - 12 of whale and 2 of spearm at night took
sail and at the spinnings no more obs
fri this day begins and ends with a gale of wind from
Jan 20 E.S.E. not much doing to day the water flying out
to much to make business profitable no obs
sat commences with a gale of wind under the same latter part
Jan 21 moderates with some rain broke out for water that
afternoon no observations
sun this day begins with a gale of wind latter part moderates
Jan 22 to nearly a calm and a thick fog sets in no obs

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off Funck rock

more this day begins with a lile breeze and ends the same foggy the most
Jan 23 part of A.M. latter part fog clears off and sets in cloudy
saw two ships to windward but no fish no obs

less this day begins and ends with a good breeze the watch employed
Jan 24 in sundries cooper doing nothing raised a large school of
whales going quick to windward towed and chased but without
success saw three ships to leeward no more obs

more this day begins and ends with a good breeze from S.E. the
Jan 25 watch employed in little or nothing cooper the same saw white
water several times been steering N.E. most of the day no obs

less this day begins with a heavy breeze from S.E. middle J.D. latter
Jan 26 part blows on to close reefed topsails with rain after sunset
furled the foresail & mizzen no obs split the jib

less this day begins and ends with a heavy breeze from S.E. the
Jan 27 watch employed in mending the jib quite rough all day
and too much so for whaling saw white water several times

sat commences with lile and variable winds from Eastward and
Jan 28 frequent showers of rain have seen nothing yet this
being about 2 P.M. spoke the Richard Mitchell of
New Brunswick had got one whale since we saw her off Eoo

Jan 29 heard from the ships Suckeryfoot and Wm. Hamilton
full and bound home no obs

seen this day begins with a good breeze from E. the watch employed
Jan 29 in breaking out for water butter lines &c cooper assis
ting in the same 4 P.M. yanked with the Richard Mitchell
saw no fish Latitude 29° 05' S. no obs

more this day begins and ends with a pleasant breeze from S.W.
Jan 30 the watch employed in sundries cooper the same channing boots
mending a chair &c spoke the ship Envy of Providence
saw no fish no more obs

less this day begins and ends with a lile breeze from S.E. the
Jan 31 watch employed a vessel raised whales 10 A.M. towed and

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French Rock

took one along side said he would make sixty barrels got
the head off and the body in by sunset saw two ships to windward
ward got supper and set the watch no obs
widens this day begins and ends with a pleasant breeze all hands
Feb 1 employed in taking in the head grinding spades P.M.
coopering oil &c saw two ships to windward saw no fish
thurs this day begins and ends with a pleasant breeze & fine
Feb 2 weather all hands employed in boiling cooper as many
be expected in such a case got through & washed off
about sunset then gamed with the Richard Mitchell no obs
fri this day begins & ends with a good breeze from E & S & the wind
Feb 3 employed in sundries cooper rehooping spades saw 2 ships on
a boiling saw a spout 3 P.M. 4 miles off the weather beam
sat this day begins & ends with a good breeze & fine weather
Feb 4 the watch employed in sundries cooper coopering lars
to store down raised whales 10 A.M. got one along side
3 P.M. and worked until 10 Ev. to get the head off &
raise a piece sufficient to lash down no obs
sat this day begins & ends with a good breeze all hands employed
Feb 5 in cutting finished and washed off 2 P.M. and started the
works saw a ship to windward a few miles off latitude
about 51° 00' S and well to Eastward of French Rock no obs
mon this day begins & ends with a pleasant breeze the ~~all~~ all hands
Feb 6 employed in boiling finished a little after dark turned up
more than 80 barrels saw a ship to windward boiling no
tues this day begins & ends with lat and variable winds all hands
Feb 7 employed in storing down P.M. raised a large whale found
about 7 miles to windward and struck and parted the line
got along side about dusk saw a game of large whales
while the boats were off no obs
widens this day begins and ends with a good breeze & fine weather
Feb 8 all hands employed in storing down oil saw jump 2

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off Curtis's Islands

several times stowed down in all to day and yesterday one
hundred & sixty one Barrels and got through and washed
off in good season. Double reefed the topsails for the night. no obs
thurs this day begins and ends with a heavy breeze from E the watch
employed in making sails cleaning teeth &c. cooper repairing
riars saw white water no mile obs

frid this day begins and ends with a heavy breeze from E the
watch employed in sundries cooper as before at work on
riars saw one ship but no fish no obs

sat this day begins & ends with a heavy breeze from Eastward the
watch employed in bending a new jib and ripping up an old
one cooper minding his trousers & P.M. furled the fore &
mizzen topsails saw no fish no obs

sun this day begins and ends with a gale from Eastward nothing doing to
day and therefore we have no observations to make

mon begins & ends with a gale from Eastward the watch employed in
sending down and minding the fore topsail and bending it again
cloudy all day and some rain towards night. took out for water in
the main hatch betwixt decks no obs

tues this day begins with a lite breeze from S.E. the watch employed
in doing nothing cooper repairing riars latter part breezes
on double reefed the topsails for the night no obs

wednes this day begins & ends with a gale of wind from S & the
watch employed facking rakim cooper doing nothing
P.M. took out for flour dried apples &c. I understood by
the crew to day that our apples is now & has been stowed for
some time but I know not for what reason for there is
if I mistake not 6 cask more the voyage is now about
half up and there has not been 1/4 of one cask used yet no obs

thurs this day begins & ends with a stiff breeze from S.E. raised whale
before breakfast 3 miles to windward all hands employed the
most of the A.M. chasing them but without success

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then sent down the mizzen top gallant sail and made
it saw a sail P.M. to windward no more obs
fri this day begins and ends with a fresh breeze from S.E. the water
feb 17 employed in sundries cooper repairing ribs run before the
wind the most of the day in fact P.M. raised a large
off the low no obs

sat this day begins & ends with rain squalls from E. & S. the water
feb 18 employed in doing nothing cooper repairing ribs saw land
10 A.M. which appeared to be a small island run in until
then tacked ship and stood off saw no fish no obs

sun this day begins with rain middle and latter part fine weather
feb 19 nearly calm all day saw black fish but no whales

Latitude by observation about 30° N no obs

mon this day begins & ends with a heavy breeze from southward at day
feb 20 light calmed all hands and double reefed the fore & main topsails
and furled the mizzen P.M. got out a cask of bread and corn
burned a wooden plate squalls of rain frequent no obs

tues this day begins with a shower of rain middle and latter part
feb 21 a light breeze from E. and fine weather saw juncos several times

also two or three ships started N. the most of the day no obs
wednes this day begins with a light breeze & squally the water employed
feb 22 putting on rattlings cooper repairing ribs middle & latter
part fine weather saw five sail but no fish no obs

thurs this day begins with a pleasant breeze from S.E. middle the
feb 23 same raised and chased whales about 4 hours without success
saw two ships to windward whaling latter part breezes on
furled fore & mizzen topsails no obs

fri this day begins with a fresh breeze from N.E. the water
feb 24 employed in sundries middle & latter part fine weather raised
a large whale 2 P.M. to leeward ran the ship within a quarter
of a mile of him hoisted the boats and pulled over
him then chased him until sunset and as we may
expect without success

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while on the chase we happened to come in contact with small
ships boats where Mr. Goodrich was seen the man that was
put ashore in such a manner by us on the Islands of Coa
we came aboard double reefed the topsails and kept her on
Feb 20 this day begins & ends with a pleasant breeze from N.E. the
watch employed in sundries cooper turning theal fins &c spoke
the ship India of New Bedford 28 Mo. out with 2200 of
spoon also ship George Clinton of Hudson 30 months out
with 1300 heard from ship the Hamilton in the Bay of
Ireland with 3700 saw no fish no do

Feb 21 this day begins & ends with a light breeze from Westward got out
Feb 22 watch this morning starboard tack aboard the most of the day
saw several ships but no fish nothing worth remark
more this day begins & ends with a very light breeze from E.S.E. the watch
Feb 23 employed in sundries cooper repairing keels and making a balling
tub for the Capt. started west most of the day the moon stars
standing at 80 no do

Feb 24 this day begins & ends with a strong breeze from S.E. the watch
Feb 25 employed in sundries cooper at work on the tub P.M. gained
with the ships India & Brighton the latter 23 Mo out with 550
Feb 26 this day begins & ends with a strong breeze from S.E. the watch
March 1 employed in coining nothing cooper finished the tub saw a ship
and several jumpers but no whales no do

March 2 this day begins & ends with a good breeze from S.E. the watch employed
in light nothing
March 3 cooper the same cooper turning down the gun-rack in the cabin
saw five ships but no fish no more do

March 4 this day begins & ends with a good breeze from S.E. the watch
March 5 employed in sundries such as splicing the fore lift mending the
martingale chain splicing the flying jib stay &c all of
which was carried away this morning we having got the run
of a ship to windward last night saw several ships but no fish
cooper roughing out theal fins no do

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- sat This day begins & ends with a good breeze from E.S.E. the weather
March 4 employed in sundries cooper & D.S. putting in the sealery into
a boat saw 3 sail but no fish no more obs except J.M. took
out for flour, meat, Rice, butter, &c
sun This day begins & ends with a good breeze from E.S.E. but some clouds
March 5 started at 11 A.M. but fell in with the ship Ganges of Bristol
four weeks from the Bay of Ireland had done nothing since we
saw him before reported ship Samuel Robinson Mackenzie with
3000 barrels bound home better part hauled on the wind and had
a game saw no fish no obs
mon This day begins & ends with a good breeze from E.S.E. the weather
March 6 employed in little or nothing cooper the same saw one ship
but no fish J.M. took out for water no obs
tues begins and ends with a good breeze from S.E. the weather employed
March 7 in sundries cooper making a fore spencer mast spoke
the ship Vineyard of Edgartown 9 months out with 300 barrels
saw two other ships plenty of letters for the Capt but none
for me no obs
wednes begins and ends with a good breeze and fine weather the
March 8 watch employed in sundries cooper finished the spars and
got it in end besides turned 45 throat pins saw the land
thurs begins with a lite breeze and some rain middle and latter
March 9 part good weather but a fresh breeze from S.E. the watch
employed in little or nothing cooper the same spoke the
ship William West of Falkhaven bound home in a short time
I put a letter aboard of her for my wife no obs
fri begins with squalls of rain middle and latter part a fresh breeze
March 10 spoke the ship Parker of New Bedford 2.3 months out with
1000 barrels also ship Rambler of Nantucket 18 months out
with 1000 saw several other ships but no fish no obs
sat This day begins and ends with squally weather saw four
March 11 took several times but sperm whales saw two ships to

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Curtis's Islands

March 12. In the morning one of the boats which followed to the Parker we had a short game with her in the Cove. The watch for the most of the day at work in the fore spruce woods. This day begins and ends with a heavy breeze from S. How-
March 12. not where saw a ship but no fish got up the fore spruce & sent it so ends this day.

March 13. This day begins and ends with a fresh breeze from E. S. W. The watch employed in mending the snuffen cooper the same saw five backs and ships no more obs.

March 14. This day begins with high winds and rough the watch employed in little or nothing cooper the same mended and killed four pleasant pieces of fire weather spoke and gained with the Mary Mitchell raised a large 4 P.M. going quick to wind did not lower but broke out bread no more obs.

March 15. This day begins with a pleasant breeze and good weather the watch employed in sundries cooper doing nothing better part looks like rain spoke a cow belonging to Sidney 4 mo. old with 500 of sperm gave her tobacco in exchange for that 3 bottles obs.

March 16. This day begins and ends with moderate weather raised a whale before breakfast after breakfast lowered and took him along side got dinner and hooked on finished at 8 P.M. said he would make 75 barrels no more obs.

March 17. This day begins and ends with a fresh breeze from S. S. E. all hands employed in fishing saw a ship take a whale a little to windward raised a large whale 5 P.M. fifty rods ahead of the ship lowered struck and parted or drawn from him no obs.

March 18. This day begins and ends with a gale of wind all hands employed as usual struck the most of the oil between decks as it went from the cooler finished by dark and put the bottom of the cooler in tiers as we always have done like warm obs.

March 19. This day begins & ends with a pleasant breeze from N. E. broke back 9 out for meat at 4 P.M. and got one Black fish murely.

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for the purpose of having something fresh saw no whales
more this day begins & ends with a pleasant breeze from S. E. & N. E.
March 20 water employed in sundries cooper repairing casks after
4 P.M. stowed off the main hatch way perhaps 200
15 stowed A. M. part of the day saw no fish no obs
this day begins and ends with a bit breeze and fine weather
March 21 raised whales & A.M. landed and chased some aboard &
then raised them to toward bowline again and got one
along side about 5 P.M. said he would make 50 bls. saw
about half a dozen whales and as many ships no obs
wind begins and ends with almost a calm all hands employed in
March 22 cutting finished cut off the junk and got supper about
8 P.M. saw 3 whales at different times no obs
this day begins & ends as before raised a large whale early in
March 23 all hands got breakfast and took him along side fast
got the body in and set the water about 8 P.M. no obs
this day begins with a calm all hands employed in cutting body
March 24 & 25 latter part a pleasant breeze from S. E. know not
where saw a ship to toward Bolivia but no fish no obs
this day begins and ends with a good breeze from S. E.
March 26 all hands employed in no body knows what cooper
repairing rotten casks &c saw several ships but no fish
& one spoke the Pacific of some other quantity of oil
unknown no obs
this day begins & ends with a pleasant breeze and heavy
March 27 showers of rain all hands employed in stowing down oil
down on board all day until dark and got it all down
but saw 5 or 6 casks a ship passed us this morning within
200 yds. with painted ports no obs
more this day begins with heavy showers of rain all hands employed
March 28 in stowing down oil middle & latter part fine weather
little or no wind stowed down to day & yesterday in all

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127 one hundred and ninety seven lbs. finished & washed off
before night saw no fish no more etc

March 28 this day begins with heavy showers of rain middle and latter
part good weather the watch employed in sundries such
as calking down the main scuttle repairing the gangway
breaking out for stops &c cooper unheading heading up
&c saw white water towards night no etc

March 29 this day begins and ends with very light and variable winds

the watch employed in sundries cooper repairing water
cask B.S. at work at the page Davis has been sick for some
days & off duty our ship has been in sight all day no etc

March 30 this day begins and ends with a light breeze the watch employed
in scraping & varnishing the mainmast cooper as before repairing
cask spoke and gammon with the mainmast had got 2
whales since we saw her before about 8 P.M. comes on to blow
a gale from S. called all hands chace up fore & mizzen topsails
and close reefed the main pulled the fore sail no etc

March 31 this day begins & ends with a heavy breeze from S. the watch
employed in sundries cooper the same P.M. broke out for
butter & bread started at 6. most of the day no etc

April 1 begin with a light breeze from S. but a heavy sea the watch
employed in clearing spaces cooper mending a head bucket
middle & latter part flows saw no fish no etc

April 2 this day begins and ends with a pleasant breeze from N.E.
raised a large whale a little after sunrise hauled but did
not fasten come aboard got breakfast landed again and
chaced all day two boats pulled out of sight to leeward and
two to windward with the ship the weather ones came aboard
about sun down with the last we then kept the ship in the
direction we last saw the boats run 3 hours and found them
with a large whale took him along side and got supper about
12 no etc they were at least 20 miles from us when we put
away

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mon this day begins with bit & variable breezes & ends much the same all hands employed in cutting cooper grinding gear finished about 3 P.M. said he would make 55 lbs. more

tues this day begins & ends with a pleasant breeze from S.E. all hands employed in boiling got it all out of the butter room about 7 P.M. started to Westward the most of the day but saw nothing but one fin back no obs

wednes this day begins and ends with almost a calm from S.E. & April 5 the watch employed in sundries cooper repairing a box that the 2^d man got stove in getting the last whale which was the first time he has hoisted since his leg well saw no fish Latitude 33° 9' no obs

thurs this day begins and ends with a good breeze from S. know April 6 while the watch employed in breaking out the fore hold to start water out of the large casks that came from home with water in them started one and left two more full cooper at work on a head bucket and hooping shal heads as they came up with the hoops rusted off. no obs

fri this day begins & ends with a pleasant breeze from E.S. & April 7 watch employed in repairing cutting block straps cooper made a head bucket started full & by all day saw no fish B.S. sick with the rheumatism and off duty no obs

sat this day begins and ends with a pleasant breeze from S.E. April 8 raised whales about sunrise hoisted and fastened and the line chafed off came on board 10 A.M. got break fast hoisted again and missed fastenings twice then kept off to seaward and fell in with 8 or 10 whales struck one and took him along side a little after dark no obs

sun this day begins & ends with a stiff breeze from E.S. & April 9 employed in cutting finished and got the junk cut up at dark and jib wellard furled fore & mizzen topsails set no fish no obs

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off Curtis Island

mon this day begins with high winds from S.E. all hands employed
April 10 in looking at each other to see their ship-mates do nothing
middle and latter part more moderate but a heavy swell no

tues this day begins & ends with high winds from S.E. all hands
April 11 employed in breaking out the after hold and stowing
down the apples has again come in Vogue as an evidence
we have had there in the two last duffs saw no fish no

wednes this day begins and ends with high winds from S.E. all
April 12 hands employed in stowing down got washed off 3
P.M. left some on deck it being too hot to stow down

Thurs this day begins and ends with a good breeze from S.E. the
April 13 watch employed in sundries moving iron boxes from
aft forward & cooper repairing old sextus this eve. the

boy came to the gangway with a message from the
capt that I had made noise enough and that he
had turned in. West was there playing on the violin
and I on the flute this I think was before 8 P.M. I took
the flute apart and west struck down the fiddle no

Fri this day begins and ends with squally weather & frequent
April 14 showers of rain the watch employed in sundries cooper
repairing old sextus the Honorable said not long since
that the Devil had ruled on board this ship ever since
she left New Bedford & we would have had a d-d
sit more oil and I thought he was about right no

Sat this day begins with high winds and rain from S.E. the watch
April 15 employed in catching water middle much the same latter
part quite moderate and bids fair for good weather no

Sun this day begins and ends with a gentle breeze from W the watch employ
April 16 in running new Mizzon topsail bantards and running cooper doing
nothing steered several courses in the run of the day very fine weather
almost all day saw no fish no

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^{off British Isles}

mon. this day begins & ends with good weather generally but some
April 17 light squalls of rain wind from W. & N. W. the watch employed
in sundries cooper repairing old sixties saw Black fish but
no whales no obs

tues. this day begins and ends with a gentle breeze from S. & N. W. not at all
April 18 the watch employed in sundries cooper repairing old sixties

black looks all day on the quarter deck saw no fish no obs
wednes. this day begins and ends with a pleasant breeze from S. & N. W.
April 19 the watch employed in sundries cooper repairing old sixties
stayed in E. most of the day saw no fish after sun down
birds fair for a storm no obs

thurs. this day begins with heavy squalls of thunder accompanied
April 20 with solid columns of falling water all hands employed
in taking in sail parted the main top sail sheet and
split the sail middle more moderate until that
hour another in its place latter part continues to blow
heavy from S. & N. W. with squalls of rain no obs

fri. this day begins and ends with a gale from S. & N. W. the watch
April 21 doing nothing lay under close reefed main top sail all
day saw no fish nothing more worth remark

sat. this day begins with a stiff breeze from S. & N. W. the watch
April 22 employed in sundries cooper standing by to pull & haul
middle and latter part more moderate spoke the
of Providence a few weeks from the Bay of Ireland
with 1800 bound home in a short time I put some
letters on board of her one for Jacob Parker one for
John Healy and one for William Allen no obs

sun. this day begins with a calm middle and latter part with light
April 23 from S. & N. W. gained with the Bark Elizabeth of Providence
11 months out with 250 had lost her Captain by falling
from aloft saw something towards night four or five
3 or 4 miles saw no more of it no obs

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^{off Bartons Islands}
mon this day begins and ends with a light and pleasant breeze
April 24 from Southward the watch employed in sunning
cooper repaired sixties saw two sail after 4 P.M. bore
another forested saw one fin back no obs

tues this day begins and ends with a heavy breeze from S.E. the
April 25 watch employed in mending sails cooper the same storm
N.E. & saw one fin back at sunset huffed too
and took in fore & mizzen topsails no obs

wednes begins and ends with high winds from Eastward the watch
April 26 employed in mending sails cooper the same spoke a ship
of Nantucket lay under main topsail & foresail most
of the day no obs

thurs this day begins and ends with a good breeze from E.S.E.
April 27 the watch employed in mending sails cooper the same
gained with the Ramble of Nantucket 13 months
out with 1350 saw no fish no obs

fri this day begins & ends with high winds from N.E. the
April 28 watch employed in mending sails cooper the same
at 10 P.M. raised a dead whale off the weather bow
took him along side and got in the most of his body
which was very much flustered while hooking on to the line
since Hamlet Fairbanks boat steered was employed in
said business some how made a blunder slide off the
whole and went aft under the starboard boat as if
unconscious of what he was doing a rope was thrown him
which he took no notice of he sunk down and was never
seen but once afterwards and then he was about a fathom
or more below the surface face downwards with his arms
extended I was on the fore yard when this happened
we then cut off the whales flukes and let her go no obs

sat this day begins with a good breeze from N.W. hands employed
in boiling oil in other words one looking at another

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Sopunda Island

middle & latter part comes on to blow a severe gale from S.W. took in one boat and turned up the rest carried away the flying jib boom got him in cleared away and all snug mended the blocks and put it into the scottern no obs

sun this day begins and ends with a heavy gale from about S. last night April 30 a pipe of oil pitched away across the deck stove in the head and stove two other casks one of them about 3/4 full of oil which run out and the other an old water cask in all we lost about 200 gallons of oil no obs

mon this day begins and ends with better weather than yesterday May 1 so that we were able to set the main topsail got the fore topsail staysail in mended it & made it a cloth smaller this A.M. I agreed with the Capt. to fill the place of Birbanks this to steer his boat stow his watch & candle the ship goes into port no obs

tues this day begins & ends with a pleasant breeze from S. the May 2 watch employed in sundries larboard tack aboard all day saw no fish Sopunda Island bearing about N.W. 1/2 N.

wednes this day begins & ends with a good breeze from about May 3 S. the watch employed in sundries cooper the same raised whales 2 P.M. lowered and chased and sun about 1/2 an hour high struck and hauled in till dark and then cut from him no obs

thurs this day begins & ends with strong breezes from about May 4 the watch employed in sundries cooper the same raised Sopunda Island about 1 P.M. one point off the weather low at sunset about 18 miles to windward no obs

fri this day begins & ends with strong breezes and squally from May 5 S. the watch employed in sundries cooper the same this land this morning the land was about 1/2 a mile to windward carried sail all day and at night

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off Santa Island

it was about 15 miles to windward single reefed the topsails
and set half watches for the night no obs

all this day begins & ends with a fresh breeze from S.S. & all hands
employed in hocking & filling and getting cask for coals
y6 cooper Becketing the same but it proved to be so rough
that we were unable to raft any water but after two trials
we succeeded in getting Mr. Smith ashore (the man that
we got from the Isabella) notwithstanding the inhabitants
were reduced to fish and cabbage tree for their sole support

sun this day begins with a light breeze from S.S. & stood off with the
May 7 starboard tacks about middle & latter part wind came N.E.
squared the yards and steered S.W. saw land & at night
suffered too with the main yard aback no obs except two men
sick and off duty

mon this day begins & ends with a pleasant breeze from
May 8 N.E. the watch employed in mending the mizzen
topsails cooper the same steered S.W. all day passed
a small Island about noon at the starboard beam
about 7 miles off no obs

tues this day begins with pleasant breezes from W. middle & latter
May 9 part N.W. at 11 P.M. dropped round S.E. cloudy all
day and frequent showers of rain no obs

wednes this day begins with a fresh breeze from S.E. the watch employed
May 10 in mending sails cooper the same middle & latter part wind
moderate saw no fish no more obs

thurs this day begins with a light breeze from Southward the watch
May 11 employed in sundries cooper off duty middle & latter part
a fresh breeze from W.N.W. rode another set off for topsail
traces saw no fish no more obs

fri this day begins & ends with a good breeze from W. the watch
May 12 employed in sundries cooper stowing the starboard
anchors B.S. whitening fusel balls for the Capt. no obs

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Bound to bay of Ireland

- sat this day begins & ends with high and variable winds
May 13 from Westward the watch employed in sundries, co-
opering the anchor stock & saw a sport to windward
3 P.M. some rain in the run of the day no obs
sun this day begins with a light breeze the watch employed in
May 14 flattening masts & spars, mudding & luffing parts a storm a gale
from S.W. carried away the starboard fore tumpkin by
the board then furlled the fore sail no obs
mon this day begins with moderate breezes from S.W. the watch
May 15 employed in sundries cooper the same P.M. got once
water saw no fish nothing worth remark only got out
a sixty of molasses
tues this day begins with strong breezes from S.W. the watch on
May 16 played in moving head from the fore to after hold
and moving sails & rigging out of case cooper on deck
all day after having all day on deck yesterday and
watches on deck last night a heavy squall struck
the ship and carried away the jib boom gay no obs
wedens this day begins & ends with high and variable winds from
May 17 Southward & Westward the watch employed in doing
nothing cooper unwell & off duty kept no log and
saw nothing nothing more worth remark
thurs this day begins & ends with a close reefed topsail breeze from
May 18 S.W. the watch employed in picking oakum after 4 P.M.
got out head and water and wore ship and stove cast
fri this day begins & ends with a fresh breeze from S. the watch
May 19 employed in taking head from forward and putting it
aft cooper assisting in the same starboard tacks at over all
day saw no fish no obs
sat this day begins & ends with a light breeze from S. the watch
May 20 employed in mending sails cooper the same saw the land
about 30 miles distant. but no fish there is something more cur-
ous but not worth mentioning

Ship William Thompson 1837

May 1st this day begins & ends with a stiff breeze from ^{off New Zealand} about E. The
watch employed in getting up the chains & sending them
there must be a mistake as to seeing land yesterday
we having run a direct course for it all day with
a fair wind without being able to see it squalls
of rain frequent at 5 double reefed the top sails and
hauled on the wind no obs

May 2nd this day begins & ends with a stiff breeze from W. N. W.
saw the land at daylight on the lee bow and more
ahead which proved to be the Cape that we wanted
to get round in order to come too in the bay of Hobart
but we carried sail all day hard all day without being
able to weather it at night reefed and stood off the land
being but a few miles off squalls of wind & rain frequent
sharp lightning in the eve. to sundown no obs

May 3rd this day begins with a fresh breeze something in our favor
got in about 4 1/2 P.M. and dropped an anchor after a long
job towing furled the sails and got dinner found several
ships lying here no obs

May 4th Sunday begins and ends with a good breeze from S. all hands
employed in getting out shakes & beams scraping the waist
&c cooper putting on a piece of sheathing &c no obs

May 5th this day begins & ends with pleasant weather all hands employed
in ship's duty cooper setting up shakes James Fitzell boat
steward went ashore this P.M. with nothing more than
what he brought aboard no obs

May 6th this day begins with fine weather all hands employed as before
May 26 latter part looks like a storm there was an English man
of war arrived here either yesterday P.M. or last night no obs

May 27 this day begins with cloudy weather all hands employed mending
latter part high winds from Northward accompanied
with a heavy rain after breakfast one watch in duty

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its being Sunday sure it rained & blowed so heavy that there was no boat went after them at night no obs. saw this day begins & ends with good weather all hands on duty cooper setting up shakes the men that were in Stabitt are going ashore daily and wants their discharge no obs.

mon commences with squally weather and ends much the same May 29 all hands on duty cooper as before shipped one native and a spanish boy the latter a cabin boy as I am informed & a man named to ashore to day that shipped in Stabitt.

tues this day begins with good weather all hands on duty cooper May 30 setting up shakes & rafting ashore a large raft ashore and got off one load of wood latter part some rain there were several more natives came aboard to day this afternoon I asked the chief Mate if he would let me have a boat to night the answer that he made was that he did not know whether can be stark the whole of it without orders from the captain &c.

wednes this day begins and ends with bit & variable winds accompanied May 31 with frequent showers of rain cooper trying to set up shakes all hands employed in setting rafting off water getting up shake heads &c. this eve. I went ashore and saw George Burgett the carpenter that we set ashore on Eve he was lying in a bunk sick with the Rheumatism when he said he had been in the same situation for 7 months and reduced to a mere skeleton for want of food to eat.

thurs this day begins with a heavy fog the boats left this morning June 1 at 4 after wood got back again at late breakfast time all hands on duty rafting water &c. cooper setting up shakes middle & latter part pleasant several hogs came to night no obs.

fri this day begins & ends with bit winds & frequent showers

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showers of rain all hands employed getting wood & water & cooper as before setting up shakes and pointing off the Bulge so as to be able to hoist them no more etc

at this day begins with fine weather latter part some rain
June 8 one watch ashore on liberty cooper among the rest came off at night all sober & stable no etc

sun this day begins & ends with squally weather and frequent showers of rain all hands on duty storing water between decks cooper setting up shakes there is one among the missing viz Robert Jeffrey he has in all probability taken Key ball for security no etc

mon this day begins with good weather all hands employed in rafting & storing water cooper as before make spare a heavy shower of rain latter fine weather no etc

tues this day begins & ends with fine weather and no rain all hands employed as before cooper setting up shakes saw one ashore this eve. and the cock that we shipped here as one of the boats crew and he stayed behind no etc

wednes this day begins & ends with good weather and no rain all hands employed as before cooper setting up shakes got the last one into the hoops about 4 PM. and worked off no etc

thurs this day begins & ends with good weather and no rain all hands employed in different jobs got the last order board about 12. are several barrels of same finished the shakes no etc

fri this day begins & ends with fine weather one watch ashore on June 9 liberty the rest employed in sundries cooper pointing ships there was a battle fought to day between the two tribes of natives which lasted 3 or 4 hours no etc

sat this day begins & ends with light showers of rain one watch ashore on June 10 on liberty the rest doing nothing cooper on board all day because it was Sunday and against the Captains principle

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to have one of his men go a gunning on the Sabbath there
was a ship came in to day had lost her foremast & main
top gallant mast we hear that it is the Montreal of
London 4 ^{years} months out with 1900 m. ds

June 11 this day begins and ends with frequent but little showers
one wrote one liberty the best employed in sundries
cooper gunning shot down and fished up and might
have had a shot the powder was good for nothing when
the boat came off there was 3 left behind the steward
and Benson and Benjamin happened no obs

June 12 this day begins and ends with good weather one watch
one liberty cooper the same in hopes of shooting some
signs like the natives stole the powder from out of my
pocket without my knowing when they did it and
that before I had fired once no obs

June 13 this day begins and ends with good weather all hands employed
one sundries cooper went to Rapa a few miles up the river
in pursuit of a cock where the natives were a fighting
two or three hundred on a side they began about sunrise
and kept it up until about 3 P.M. we understood there
was several killed on both sides no obs

June 14 this day begins & ends with a good breeze from off the land
all hands on duty doing little or nothing cooper the same
there was a small Brig arrived here to day 12 days from
Sydney with small stores no obs

June 15 this day begins with a calm calmed all hands on duty
and got underway middle and latter part a fine
breeze from N.W. steering N.E. the Bark Mary Ann of
Benson went out the same time at night comes on
to rain no obs

June 16 this day begins and ends with squally weather and frequent
showers of rain half the crew below P.M. wind came

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Bound Northward

- right aft & blows fresh no obs I put 2 letters on board
the Pacific of Santuoket who sailed a few days before us
found home one for John Healy the other for Clara Brown
sat this day begins and ends with a fresh breeze from N.E. the watch
June 17 employed in little or nothing cooper the same saw the Mary
Ann of London a few miles off at sunset no obs
sun this day begins with a pleasant breeze from S.W. middle
June 18 the same latter part breezes on P.M. gamed with
the Mary Ann at night double reefed the topsails &
furled the mainsail no obs
mon this day begins & ends with a strong breeze S.W. one watch
June 19 below the rest employed in little or nothing cooper the
same however they new rigged the foot of the mizen
and got it bent & set at 4 P.M. after that sent
down the main top gallant sail it being fished in
the back rope saw finbacks no obs
tues this day begins with a good breeze & cloudy weather middle
June 20 and latter part incessant showers of rain wind
N.W. all day saw no fish since we left the Bay I
have stood a watch and a soft at the main no obs
wednes this day begins and ends with a fine breeze from
June 21 Northward one watch below the rest employed in sundry
cooper what this saw saw no fish B.S. at work at the
forge no obs
thurs this day begins & ends with a pleasant breeze from
June 22 N. by N. the watch employed in mending sails cooper
making kids this morning broke out for Breeze
saw no fish no more obs
fri this day begins & ends with a pleasant breeze and fine
June 23 weather commenced standing boats crews again the
watch employed in sundries mending sails & cooper
at work on the boat B.S. at work at the forge

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saw several ships and plenty of fire backs the blacksmith
cut his fingers at night took in sail no obs

sat this day begins & ends with a light and pleasant breeze

June 24 S. the watch employed in sundries cooper at work
on the boat B.S. at work at the forge gained with
the Lydia of Salem intended to start for home in
two days saw no fish no obs

sun this day begins with a light breeze about N. middle breeze

June 25 on double reefed the topsails about one P.M. later
part moderates stood with the Larboard tacks on
board the most of the day saw no fish no obs

more this day begins with a pleasant breeze the watch employed

June 26 in sundries cooper at work on the boat middle

& latter part wind light and variable saw white
water which proved to be sunfishes no obs

lites this day begins with a good breeze from S.W. the watch

June 27 employed in sundries cooper middle & latter part

buzzes on at 4 P.M. took in fore and mizen top
sails and close reefed the main no obs

weathers this day begins with a fine breeze from S.W. the

June 28 watch employed in sundries cooper as before at work

on the boat middle & latter part blows fresh for

fore and mizen topsails at 4 P.M. and close reefed

the main about 8 the fore sheet parted and we then

furled that no obs

lites this day begins and ends as before with a moderate

June 29 breeze in the morning and a gale of wind in

the afternoon the watch employed as before cooper at

same saw nothing no obs

fire this day begins and ends with a light gale of wind from

June 30 S.E. the watch employed in drawing haws & balling
cooper mending his Sackel no more obs

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- sat this day begins and ends with a gale of wind
July 1 S. S. W. the watch employed drawing yarns &c.
cooper at work by spells on the boat saw the India
of New Bedford but did not speak her we are
now on a stand & have been for some days no ob
sun this day begins and ends with a gale of wind from
July 2 about the same point as before with now and then
a shower of rain saw nothing of the India nor ship
twice in run of the day no ob
more this day begins and ends with a pleasant breeze from
July 3 Southward the watch employed in making spinnaker
cooper at work on the boat spoke land gained with
the India of N. Bedford 52 months out with
2300 bbls had seen ship Kizimbo not long since no ob
ties this day begins with good weather and ends the same
July 4 the watch employed in mending sails cooper and
Hapell repairing clew lines &c. gained with the
Mount Vernon since taken to be since she left
Chittenden which was about 12 Mo. since no ob
wednes this day begins and ends with fine weather the watch
July 5 employed in mending sails cooper and Blacksmith
as before made coal and run in hardy and shot iron
sail in the eve gained with the Mount Vernon
heard that the ship Independence was lost on the
barrens in a gale of wind laying at anchor and were
ashore after cutting away all three the masts no ob
thurs this day begins with heavy gusts of wind from above
July 6 W. middle part fine weather latter part much like
the first the watch employed in not much else but
pulling & hauling cooper the same heard from a
ship of Nantucket 7 mo. out no oil we have seen
under close reefed topsails a considerable part of the day
no ob

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- frid this day begins and ends with a gale of wind from N. S. W.
July 7 the watch employed in doing nothing cooper the same
stood to Southward all day under close reefed topsails
foresail and spencers at night furled fore & mizzen
sat this day begins with high winds from S. W. the watch
July 8 employed in wetting hold bailing the water from off the
gun deck cooper repairing the gangway rail middle
and latter part more moderate the watch worked
on an old sail saw no fish wore ship 11 P.M. no ob
sun this day begins and ends with a good breeze and fair
July 9 weather saw the land about 8 miles off 4 points on
the leeward then tacked about 9 A.M. and stood
with the starboard tack aboard the rest of the day was
mon this day begins with a strong breeze from S. S. W. the
July 10 watch employed in mending sails cooper made a
draw bucket we had a heavy squall of rain this
morning saw no fish no ob only killed a hog
tues this day begins and ends with a heavy breeze from E.
July 11 and 12 the watch employed in mending an old
topsail which they finished and bent after 4 P.M.
cooper making kials for the cook saw a finback and
called it sperm whale but after laying a back a short
time found our mistake no ob
wed this day begins with a fresh breeze from S. S. W. the watch
July 12 employed in mending sails cooper finished the kials
then turned on to old riers middle and latter part good
moderate saw a ship to leeward latitude $23^{\circ} 08'$ no ob
thurs this day begins with light and variable winds from all parts
July 13 of the compass middle and latter part a bit and a half
breeze from Northward raised whales 10 A.M. saw
and chased till 4 P.M. without success saw a ship
chasing whales not far distant which proved to be the

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Rebecca Sims of ^{off Egg} New Bedford 12 months out with
500 barrels our Capt is now on board here no obs

July 14 This day begins with a fresh breeze the watch employed in
mending sails cooper on old rurs the Rebecca Sims been in
sight all day middle part freezes on by 4 P.M. we
are reduced to a close reefed main top sail after sunset
almost calm no letters for me as yet no obs

July 15 This day begins with a fresh breeze from S.W. the water
employed in mending sails cooper at work on rurs
the Rebecca Sims in sight all day middle and latter
part weather moderates to a light breeze saw the land
towards night but no fish no obs

July 16 This day begins and ends with a gentle breeze from E.
the watch employed in getting out water starting
molasses & cooper among the rest Barclay to the
land all day saw a great number of finbacks but
no sperm after 4 gamuel with the Rebecca Sims
nothing more worth remark

July 17 This day begins and ends with a pleasant breeze from
E.S.E. the watch employed in mending sails cooper
& blacksmith repairing old rurs we are so drove with
business that the sail of late is not made up so long
as they can see to take a stitch and the spinning
reel is going incessantly no more obs

July 18 This day begins and ends with a good breeze but cloudy
the watch employed in mending sails cooper repairing old
rurs Ben Smith assisting in the same several ships in sight
but no fish the apples has been out of fashion since
before we went into the Bay of Islands we begin to
think we shall sell a cask or two & also be obliged to give
them to the Vineyard pilots no obs

July 19 This day begins with a good breeze from E.S.E. 11.
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the watch employed in mending sails cooper repairs
old riers middle and latter part flows heavy bent a
main topsail and double reefed no obs

thurs this day begins with light & variable winds and some rain
July 20 middle and latter part a fine breeze from Southward
got the old boat down and put in the sealing grommet
with the India saw no fish no obs

fri this day begins and ends with a good breeze from S.E.
July 21 the watch employed in mending sails cooper repairs
old riers blacksmith the same stored about all day
but saw no fish at night sufficed too and reefed no obs

sat this day begins and ends with a fine breeze from S.E. the
July 22 watch employed in mending sails cooper repairing riers
stored, Northward all day saw two ships but no fish no obs
sun this day begins and ends with a good breeze from Eastward

July 23 passed an Island called Narvow about 30 miles distant
at night took in the main sail and put one reef
in the mizzen topsail P.M. got out slops and I got 5
pairs of duck trousers no obs

mon this day begins and ends with a good breeze from E.
July 24 the watch employed in mending sails cooper repairs
old riers steered to Northward all day and saw nothing
we have been steering to Northward some days no obs
tues this day begins and ends with a fine breeze from S.E.

July 25 the watch employed in mending sails cooper astuff
11 A.M. raised a large whale source, the bow boat
struck and drawed chased till almost night but
without success Latitude about $16^{\circ} 10'$ no obs

wednes this day begins and ends with a pleasant breeze and fine
July 26 weather the I believe finished mending sails cooper
repairing riers stood to Northward until about 6 P.M.
then tack'd ship then about 10 A.M. stood out
 $80^{\circ} 50'$ no obs

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Bound N. and E.

- Mon. this day begins and ends with a good breeze and fine weather
July 27 the water employed in fitting the rigging such as taking off
old leathers and service and putting on new & cooper
repairing old water cask stood Northward fore part of the
day then tacked and stood to Southward saw no fish no obs
Tue. this day begins and ends with a fresh breeze the all hands on
July 28 the rigging cooper repairing cask stored N. the most of the
day saw one fin back P.M. no obs
Wed. this day begins and ends with a fine breeze the crew at
July 29 work on the rigging cooper repairing old cask spoke
the Bobomae of Portsmouth 3 months out with 200
barrels heard from the Dartmouth with 300 no obs
Thurs. this day begins with a fine breeze the water doing nothing
July 30 cooper mending tattered part bows on with some rain
at 5 took in the mainsail and double reefed the tops
sails stood on the wind all day with the starboard
tacks aboard heading about N. E. I should judge the
latitude to be about 15° 00' no obs
Fri. this day begins and ends with a good breeze all hands employed
July 31 on the rigging cooper repairing old cask tacked ship to
Southward 12 o'clock saw nothing no obs
Sat. this day begins with a smart shower of rain but cleared
Aug 1 off a little after sunrise all hands employed tacking
rigging tacking &c. cooper as before starboard tacks
aboard all day saw nothing no obs
Sun. this day begins and ends with a bit breeze all hands employed
Aug 2 in working on the rigging cooper repairing old cask P.M.
making a Sweets ladder stood on the starboard tack
all day and saw neither whales nor ships no obs
Mon. this day begins with a calm all hands employed on the rigging
Aug 3 cooper at the same as before middle and tattered part of a
bit breeze stored S.E. the all day saw a sail about 40 mi.
no obs

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Bound N. and W.

frid this day begins with a good breeze from S. E. all hands
Aug 4 employed on the rigging cooper repairing old cask middle
lit and variable winds and rain latter part no rain
but cloudy and tide fair for a blow at 6 P.M. double
ruffed the topsails at 10 blow hauled no ob

sat this day begins and ends with a gale of wind from S. E.
Aug 5 the watch employed in little or nothing cooper washed
last night collected all barrels and took in fore & main
topsails wore ship and went below and in about one
hour afterwards called all hands again and took in
the foresail and put the boats on the upper cranes
and went below again no ob

sun this day begins and ends with a good breeze from S. E.
Aug 6 the watch doing little or nothing cooper nailed on
a couple of battens to the Main mast steered S. W. and
saw several Islands P.M. run till night shortened sail
and hauled by the wind I heard some one say there
these were called the Navigators the B.S. is sick and
off duty no ob

mon this day begins with a good breeze from S. E. the water
Aug 7 employed in sundries cooper repairing old cask the
B.S. has got better latter part wind came to S. and a
heavy shower ensues saw no land to day no ob

tues this day begins and ends with squally weather the water
Aug 8 employed in sundries cooper as before at work on
cask P.M. sent a new spar-ker saw the land & A.
stood in handly then tacked and stood off and on
at night set the water Larboard and starboard
with Main topgallant sail out blowing fresh no ob

wednes this day begins and ends with a heavy breeze from
Aug 9 S. E. boats crew watches employed in working ship to
windward cooper the same carried away the S. E.
pendant

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off Navigators Islands

and weather very good and spirit the ship got another cut
in its place and a pair of new guys spoke the gangis
with 450 land 20 miles off this morning no obs
this day begins and ends with a good breeze and fine
Aug 10 weather the watch employed in little or nothing cooper
the same got in handy about 9 P.M. sent a boat
ashore for yams hogs &c. but got nothing except a
couple of visitors for the night one a native chief
the other an American belonging to the (Seavoy) he
had run away from a Whaler ship and married here
in the royal family got the promise of some yams
tomorrow morning no obs

this day begins & ends with a good breeze and fine weather
Aug 11 called all hands at daylight and got breakfast then
the boat went ashore got off eight or ten bushels of
seventeen small hogs and some fowls with paying a
high price the boat came off about sunset made
all sail and stood off no obs

this day begins and ends with a bit breeze the watch
Aug 12 employed in sunclies cooper repairing old east stove
on the larboard tack all day and saw nothing no obs
this day begins with a bit breeze from E by N nothing
Aug 13 doing to day middle and latter part a whole sail
breeze saw Blackfish and Porpoises killed a hog
to day and one yesterday no obs

this day begins and ends with a fresh breeze from E.S.E.
Aug 14 the watch employed in fitting the flying jibboom
rigging cooper getting the boom ready to scend out
saw one of the Navigators 5 P.M. stood in handy
then tacked and stood off no obs

this day begins and ends with a good breeze the watch
Aug 15 I should have said all hands employed in working

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^{off the Navigators}
ships stood in handy when two canoes came off with
a white man in each of them who had some talk
with the Capt and about 12 he forced his boat
went ashore we stood off and on till dark then sat
a bit & stood off saw nothing off the boat no o's
evidens this day begins with a good breeze stood in handy and
Aug 16 the boat came off with a load of hogs reported
being after the ship half the night and not success-
ing to overtake us gave up the chase and pulled for
the shore where they arrived safe about midnight
latter part wind let got off 40 or fifty hogs and
some yams no more o's

Aug 17 this day begins and ends with a pleasant breeze got
a boat down before sunrise I think and got off one
load of yams the ship splendid hove in sight and
and run across our stern and hailed us on being
informed that Capt Weeks was on shore he stood
in and forced a boat and as a matter of course
followed after they will both stop ashore to night
a man belonging to her reports the following composed
a boat's crew on shore at the Navigators some time
ago and three boatstewers at Stahite about two months
since besides what has took to their heels in short we
are mostly Conrackers had 1000 barrels no o's

Aug 18 this day begins and ends with a pleasant breeze got
off a one lit boat load of yams the Barge (Narva)
of London arrived here to day the Captains Wickes and
Lucie both came off at night and run down along
shore calculating to get more yams tomorrow no o's

Aug 19 this day begins and ends with a good breeze all hands
employed in doing nothing after dinner the two boats
went ashore and one of his Majesty's crew being
sick

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off the Navigators

sick cooper was chosen to fill the vacancy viz. the
muckship oar which he did with some reluctance
stayed on the beach some 2 or 3 hours then shoved
off but left the Captains and bags as also a vallet
to find them viz. Mr. Rounseville no obs

this day begins and ends with a fine breeze got off
three Boat loads of yams cooper and of the boats
crew got off a little before night Capt Lucie on board
of us then both ships stood off no more obs

this day begins and ends with a bit & variable winds
accompanied with frequent and heavy showers
of rain the watch employed in drying yams
cooper at work on the flying Jib boom saw white
water this morning no obs

this day begins and ends with a bit breeze and fine
weather the watch employed in fitting the fly Jib
boom rigging cooper finished the boom and
sent it out saw white water several times the
splendid in sight all day no obs

this day begins with a calm the watch employed in
sending down and mending the fore topsail cooper
repairing a boat middle and latter part a fine
breeze saw no fish took out after dice apples this
morning no obs

this day begins and ends with a fresh breeze the watch
employed in sundries Capt mending a boat cooper
making small cask of old water cask staves and then
quite rotten the splendid not in sight no obs

this day begins and ends with a gale from S. E. by E. the
watch employed in sundries had a new pair of fore
tacks made sprung yams to serve them & cooper made
a whale bone boom. I had forgot to say we went
and sent a presser this morning no obs

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sat ^{bound Southward} this day begins with a fresh breeze and some rain
Aug 26 middle good weather gained with the ^{Nautical} of
London and got some coal same day spoke the
Waverley of N. Bedford about 2.5 months out with
1500 latter part rain no more obs
sun this day begins and ends with a fresh breeze the water
Aug 27 doing nothing cooper the same saw one sail in the
morning and another in the afternoon Lat. 17.11
mon this day begins with a fresh breeze but good weather
Aug 28 the watch employed in sending down & stripping
the cutting from darts cooper making cask midday
the same after sunset a squall of rain but
not much increase of wind no obs
tues this day begins with a good breeze and good weather
Aug 29 the watch employed in sunburies cooper as
before latter part breezes on double reefed the
topsails and furled fore and mizzen some
rain P.M. saw Juncos several times no obs
wednes this day begins and ends with a good breeze and
Aug 30 fine weather the watch employed in sending
down and repairing the main topsail cooper
making cask saw nothing no obs
thurs this day begins and ends with a good breeze from
Aug 31 Eastward and fair weather the watch employed
in repairing the main sail cooper as before
spoke the Dartmouth with only 400 barrels of
oil had seen whale seven days since no obs
fri this day begins and ends with a pleasant breeze
Sept 1 fine weather the watch employed in sending down
and repairing the mizzen topsail cooper as before
Blacksmith at work at the forge stored S.W.
all day saw nothing no obs

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sat this day begins with squally weather the watch employed
Sept 2 in breaking out the fore hold after old heads cooper's
making cask and rehooping as some came up
without hoops they being entirely rusted off middle
and latter part bit breezes and good weather
stowed down the oil nothing more worth remark

sun this day begins and ends with a pleasant breeze and
Sept 3 fine weather gained with the ship Mary of Kane
two years out with 1600 m o b s lat. 25. 27 E

mon. this day begins with a strong breeze the watch employed
Sept 4 in mending the fore sail cooper making cask
middle and latter part quite moderate saw
one finback I have not seen the spinnaker
to day remarkable! no more ob

tues this day begins and ends with a pleasant breeze from
Sept 5 about N.W. the watch employed in sundries
cooper as before B.S. making royles nails &c.
the spinnaker has been going most of the
day saw finbacks just at night no ob

wednes this day begins and ends with almost a calm the
Sept 6 watch employed in working on the rigging cooper
as before rain more or less all day nevertheless
the spinnaker has been almost incessantly
B.S. ironing the main topsail sheet bits no ob

thurs this day begins and ends with a fresh breeze from N.E.
Sept 7 N.E. it and frequent showers of rain the watch employed
in catching water and repairing scrub. rooms
cooper doing nothing lay under short sail all
day P.M. furled the foresail and close reefed the
main topsail saw white water from aloft 2 P.M.

fri this day begins with a bit breeze accompanied with
Sept 8 incessant rain the watch employed in breaking out

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This after hold to see what oil soaked as we have
been pumping some for a few days past but all
that they could see was quite dry middle the same
latter part ceases to rain and bids fair for better
weather finished about night no obs

sat This day begins with a life breeze from E.S.E. the
Sept 9 watch employed in sundries such as wetting hogs
breaking out the fore hold then the blubber room
stowing off salting cask mixing mortar some
at work on the rigging others repairing the tryworks
&c. &c. cooper as before latter part blows fresh
with signs of good weather no obs

sun This day begins and ends with a pleasant breeze from
Sept 10 E.S.E. and good weather cooper mending his clothes
after 4 P.M. all hands employed in taking in the
Carboard and Starboard boats and putting out
others in their place between 4 and 4 P.M. His
Highness was by chance overheard talking to his mate
the substance of which was that the cooper was
making a damned long job with them cask and
that he was all day a making one &c. &c. no obs

mon This day begins and ends with a good breeze from the
Sept 11 Northward all hands employed in setting down
fore & mizzen topgallant masts and securing up
the main Royal mast forward cooper making cask
After a watch below the rest at work notwithstanding
it rained heavy most of the afternoon no obs

tues This day begins and ends with a good breeze from S.S.W.
Sept 12 the watch employed in making sundries for fore
and main topsail yards of white rope haws
said cooper making cask B.S. making a spout
to tide the water from the gunnery saw blackpig
no obs

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videns this day begins and ends with a good breeze from S. S. W.
Sept 13 the watch employed in sundry jobs too numerous
too mention cooper as before. Saw finbacks after 4 P.M.
bent a main topgallant sail no obs

thurs this day begins and ends with a fresh breeze from about
Sept 14 S. S. W. the watch employed in strapping further blocks
&c. cooper making sexties entirely alone & has been
for some days saw finbacks by shells all day no obs

frid this day begins with a heavy breeze from about S. E. the
Sept 15 watch employed in sundries cooper as before B. S. at
work on Bowsprit bit heads. saw great numbers of
finbacks middle and latter part more moderate
at 4 P.M. saw land 2 points on the S. E. bow which
I suppose to be Sunda Island no obs

sat this day begins and ends with a fine breeze from S. W.
Sept 16 the watch employed in breaking out in usual finished
about sundown cooper as before B. S. carpentering at
different jobs we passed Sunda Island to starboard
with a fair wind saw but few sprouts no obs

sun this day begins with a fresh breeze from S. W. the watch
Sept 17 employed in taking in & making sail studd up & further
fore topsail soon after failed main topgallant sail
& mizzen topsail then double reefed main topsail
and set fore & main spencers and put the boats on
the upper cranes middle and latter part wind came about
W set the fore topsail double reefed mizzen topsail the
same then turned one reef out the main undertook
to take up a sixty of midapes but deferred it on consid-
eration that it was Sunday then got up a coil of rope
and stretched it for a lanyard in the masting guy
mon this day begins and ends with a fresh breeze about W.
Sept 18 about 2 A.M. Hoveed to pieces the fore topsail

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Before breakfast sent it down runs under close
sailed topsails most of the day after sunset saw
two right whales close to the ship then shortened
sails for the night showers of rain frequent occa-
sions this day begins with a heavy breeze N.E. W. some
Sept 19 carpentering going on Tattered part raised right
whales sent a fore topsail then lowered two boats
and chased till night without success took in
fore & mizzen topsails and close reefed the main
set the watch boats crews no obs
wedens this day begins and ends with a good breeze and
Sept 20 good weather raised whales early in the morn-
ning got two along side about 3 P.M. and got
one in about midnight no obs
thurs called all hands a break of day and at 10 AM
Sept 21 got the chase off and then got something to
eat finished 12 and eat again lowered &
chased whales but without success set the water
at 7 good weather for the season no obs
fri this day begins and ends with a moderate breeze &
Sept 22 fine weather chasing whales all day without
success at night closed up the fore topsail no obs
sat this day begins and ends with a pleasant breeze and fine
Sept 23 weather raised whales early got breakfast and
took two along side by a little past ten got them
both in by dark plainly more in sight no obs
sun this day begins and ends with a light breeze and
Sept 24 good weather struck and killed two whales
one sent got the other along side about 10
oclock and cut him in before night the vessel
a going all the time cooper grinding spades clear-
ing away the head repairing cask &c. no obs

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mon this day begins & ends with a light breeze and fine weather
Sept 25 raised whales before breakfast however got something
to eat and loaded 3 boats got one whale and cut
him in in good season i. e. before night Lat 35

tues this day begins & ends with a pleasant breeze from
Sept 26 S. W. raised whales as before and got one and
got him in in good season saw whales in every
direction the blubber room is now about full
and two hundred and fifty barrels on deck now

wednes this day begins and ends with a moderate breeze from
Sept 27 W. S. W. got another whale to day & cut her in sun
two hours high cooper repairing star case at night
began to stow down in the fore peak we think
we have enough on board for 500 barrels no ob

thurs this day begins & ends with a pleasant breeze but variable
Sept 28 all hands employed in boiling & stowing down S. O.
till 8 or 10 Eve stowed perhaps more than two
hundred barrels saw whales but did not wound
them the dried apples has once more come in roge
as an evidence of it we had some to day and
yesterday in what we eat duff no ob

fri this day begins with a good breeze from about S.
Sept 29 S. W. all hands employed in boiling & stowing
down finished the Larboard side of the fore hold
before dark stowed down to day & yesterday 398
barrels saw plenty of whales fore part of the day
squilly & latter part fine no ob

sat this day begins and ends with a light breeze and good
Sept 30 weather raised whales early in the morning got
breakfast then lowered & took two alongside & got
them cut in a little after dark gave all hands
*all forward the after part the fore hatchway

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to sleep till morning and let the ship look
out for herself no o/s

sun this day begins and ends with a gentle breeze & fine
Oct 1 all hands employed in moving shutes and
heads from the fore hold to the after hold
between decks afternoon towed struck 3 or 4 whales
and got one stove two boats sunk one and
lost the best part of 8 lines besides some oars got
the whale alongside by dark no o/s

mon this day begins with a light breeze from N. accompanied

Oct 2 with rain middle the same latter part a fresh breeze
Southward and clear weather cut the whale in and
then got every thing snug for a blow at about 4
P.M. set the watch until morning Remarkable

tues this day begins and ends with squally weather and
Oct 3 light & frequent showers of rain chased whales all
day but got none with the loss of several harpoons
and of course some line the Blacksmith went to
bed to night sick and off duty no o/s and I am
not much better no o/s

wedens this day begins and ends with a fresh breeze but good

Oct 4 weather for the most part all hands employed in
clearing out the fore hold stowing the shutes up
and stowing oil in their place finished boiling
this morning Blacksmith sick with the pox and off
duty for want of medicine to cure him no o/s

thurs this day begins with a fresh breeze and squally with rain

Oct 5 all hands employed in stowing down latter part good
weather this has been an unlucky day with us one man
got this foot under a cask of oil and another in a
few moments fell down the fore hold and struck
on the ground but we believe that this is not very

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hardly hurt only his nose which is very badly cut
apparently with an iron hoop three men off duty

his day begins and ends with a gentle breeze and fine weather
Oct 6 loured after breakfast and got one along side after
being fast about 3 hours two boats came aboard
but have hardly hoisted up the boats when a whale
made his appearance & only loured again and
sunk him in a few moments fastened to another
and soon hauled him up one mile off, one Tom
on the weather bow got him alongside soon
high got the head off one and lashed down for the
night birds fair for good weather no ob

Oct 7 this day begins and ends with a good breeze & fine weather
cut in the whales and got another alongside in fast
got in his throat & lips and lashed down for the night
sunk another to day and lost several crows a hump
& some line started the works to night no ob

Oct 8 this day begins & ends with good weather and light breeze
got another whale to day and cut him in cooper
setting up shakes with no one to help him except
to raise notwithstanding there is four whales in the
blubber room and no cask to put it in

Oct 9 this day begins and ends with good breeze from N.W.
after breakfast took a large whale and the
blubber room being full let her lay alongside over
night cooper employed in setting up shakes P.M.
had Mr. Rounseville to help the crew took out
the after hold and got some empty cask started some
flour &c. out of large cask no ob

Oct 10 this day begins with a fresh breeze & ends much the same
hooked on the whale and then undertook to wear
ship parted the fluke chain and nearly tore the piece

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off then luffed too and got on another chain then wore ship and got got breakfast between 10 and 11 got the whale in about sunset cooper at work alone as before setting up shakes no obs

wedens this day begins & ends with almost a calm saw no fish

Oct 11 to day all hands employed in boiling & c. cooper & Mr

Rounseville setting up shakes this morning I was sent into the tubber room to look for shakes that I afterwards found in the after hold but his Highness protested they were in the tubber room & no where else no obs

thurs this day begins with heavy breeze from about S.W.

Oct 12 all hands employed at something or other cooper & Mr

Rounseville as before middle and latter part quite moderate at night I should think there was tubber enough for 3 barrels of oil saw no fish no obs

frid this day begins and ends with a fresh breeze from S.E. W.

Oct 13 finished boiling a little before 12 cooper setting up shakes P.M. stowed off the fore hold stowed on the starboard tack all day at night wore ship and stowed to Westward saw no fish

sat this day begins with a heavy breeze from S.E. W. all

Oct 14 hands employed in breaking out & making ready to stow down in the after hold got breakfast about 9 o'clock middle and latter part quite

290 moderate saw a sail pass on the other tack a few miles to windward stowed in the starboard side of the fore peak 290 barrels saw no fish no obs

sun this day begins with a lite breeze from N.W. all hands

Oct 15 employed in stowing down whales to be seen in every direction all appeared to be killed N.E. middle & latter part more wind chockle off the larboard side of the after hold and had some ice left on deck

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then commenced breaking out the other side & stowing
provision in the fore hatch against the forecabin bulkhead
starting towline &c. Blacksmith making bung &c
mon this day begins with a fresh breeze and a heavy swell
Oct 16 whaled it all day and got one small one along side
sun about an hour high at night with the loss
of about one tub of line and some craft besides
one stoven boat saw great numbers of whales no obs
tues this day begins and ends with a bit breeze and good
Oct 17 weather cut in the whale and got two more along
side about 3 hours after midnight lost some
time stove one boat alongside the ship by the take
catching under her gunwale no obs
wedens this day begins with a bit breeze and good weather
Oct 18 cut in one whale got breakfast and cut in the
other then got dinner about half past 5 P.M.
middle & latter part much the same started
the works after dinner saw but few whales no obs
thurs this day begins with high winds & showers of rain
Oct 19 half the crew below the rest employed in boiling
cooper setting up shakes fanned some heads too
big & others too small middle and latter part
good weather no whale in sight no obs
fri this day begins and ends with a fresh breeze and
Oct 20 no rain some employed in boiling others wetting
hold cooper setting up shakes Davis assisting in the
same saw ^{about midday in boat} some whales no more observations
sat this day begins and ends with a good breeze from N.E.
Oct 21 E. finished boiling A.M. chased whales all day but
got none cooper setting up shakes no man off duty
for some days with a cut foot no obs
sun this day begins and ends with a fresh breeze from
Oct 22 155 N.E.

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all hands employed in cleaning bone cooper setting
up shales handling crabs making wormfryes &c.
carried sail all day hauled saw a ship to windward
but no fish at night took in mizen topsail &
double reefed fore and main no obs
mon begins and ends with a good breeze cloudy most of
Oct 23 this day but no rain the watch employed in
cleaning bone cooper as before gained within a
sidney bark with not very good success found
two hals on board of her that absconded from
us in the bay of Islands Viz. Joel Benson and
Benjamin Buff saw whales towards night
tues this day begins with a light breeze from about N.E. at
Oct 24 10 A.M. raised whales 2 miles to windward hauled
and turned up four and sunk one of them the
wind at about noon died away to a calm and
all four of the boats are now towing 3 whales to
the ship (it is now a frost in the morning) and
the nearest boat is not within a mile of the ship
wednes at 4 A.M. a light breeze springing up and we got two
Oct 25 of the whales along side Just at daylight got
something to eat then went in pursuit of the
other boats and found her 5 miles got her along
side & eat in two of them once all turned in
thurs this day begins and ends with a light breeze from S.W.
Oct 26 all hands employed in cutting but whales come
ing hands we opened two boats and took one along
side about 10 finished cutting the same time got
dinner then set him in back the bone of one whale
stowed in larboard side the after hold 179
fri this day begins and ends with almost a calm &
Oct 27 very pleasant plenty of whales in sight

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and two sail on ^{off New Zealand} of which we knew to be the bottom
of Fulmouth and saw her take a whale no ob
sat begins and ends with a little breeze and fine weather
Oct 2 & all hands employed at different jobs cooper, carpenter
and others sitting up shakes saw plenty of whales
in every direction no ob

sun this day begins & ends with a little breeze and fine
Oct 3 weather the tryworks still going but we fear
they will be obliged to stop for want of cask got
one whale and cut him in this morning low
and chased again but without success no ob

mon this day begins and ends with a gentle breeze and
Oct 5 fine weather got breakfast low and took
two whales cut one in and let the other stay
cooper setting up shakes as a matter of course no ob

tues this day begins and ends with a good breeze from
Oct 31 S. W. called all hands at daylight and cut
in the whale finished about 3 A.M. then
turned on a gang to break the after hold to
stow down put some shakes forward in the
forecastle stowed some provision about the
mainmast &c. no ob

wednes this day begins and ends with a fresh breeze and
Nov 1 rough weather accompanied with several showers
of rain some boiling the rest stowing down
at 7 Eve. the blubber was nearly out no ob

thurs this day begins and ends with a good breeze all
Nov 2 hands employed in stowing down finished
the after hold about 10 Eve. saw no fish

Fri this day begins and ends with a fresh breeze from
Nov 3 & all hands employed in breaking out and
stowing oil began to stow at the after part.

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of the fore hatch ^{off New Zealand} at 9 two looks like wine
stood on the starboard tack all day saw no fish
sat this day begins with high winds accompanied with
(Nov 4 heavy showers of rain all hands employed in
clearing up the deck stowing off between decks
tashing every thing &c. in short making ready
287 for a blow middle & latter part moderates &
beds fair for good weather stowed in the star
side after hold 287 the other day no obs
sun this day begins and ends with a light breeze and
(Nov 5 good weather all hands employed in stowing oil
got it all down by dark and knocked off leaving
some cask of heads on deck to go down in the
morning saw some right whales A.M. no obs
noon this day begins and ends with a pleasant breeze and
(Nov 6 fine weather all hands employed in breaking out
in one place & stowing in another such as taking
the rigging out of the gun stowing it in the run
and starting shooks heads to fill the place of it
building a bulk head for a tubber room &c.
P.M. raised whales towed struck two sunk one
and parted from the other besides losing nearly
one and a half lines no obs
this day begins and ends with a fresh breeze and
(Nov 7 rough sea chasing whales all day got one along
side a little before night with the loss of some
considerable line found a cask of old shoon they
marked & entirely rotten no obs
wednesday this day begins with moderate weather at
(Nov 8 the whale line by about 10 got breakfast and
chased whales all day lost some craft but got
no whale got dinner about 5 P.M.

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^{off San Francisco}
cooper setting up shakes, and making heads for the
same latter part looks like a storm no obs

Nov 9 this day begins with high winds and heavy squalls
of rain half the crew below the rest employed in
boiling cooper setting up shakes middle and latter
part clear weather but high winds saw ^{no} whales

Nov 10 this day begins and ends with a pleasant breeze
from S.W. and fine weather cooper setting up
shakes saw a great many whales and got one
cut him in and cleared up the sick in good
season nothing more worth remark

Nov 11 this day begins with a heavy breeze but no rain
all hands employed wetting hold &c. cooper
setting up shakes and put three new staves into
the oil tunnel &c. middle and latter part
quite moderate finished boiling about sunset
saw plenty of whales no obs

Nov 12 this day begins and ends with a good breeze from
W. N. W. all hands employed in cleaning
cooper setting up shakes saw nothing but
furbacks and not many of them no obs

Nov 13 this day begins and ends with a fine breeze and good weather
all hands employed in cleaning. about after break
fast raised whale going quick in S.W. & direction
lowered and chased without success in coming
aboard fell in with some more struck and got
two alongside S.P.M. cut one in by about 10 masts

Nov 14 this day begins with a moderate breeze and ends much
the same cut in the whale and then started
the works cooper setting up shakes saw but
few whales and then going quick no obs

Nov 15 this day begins and ends with a heavy gale from

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At 10.00 watch below the best employed in boiling copper, hoops, shakes at 2 P.M. the bow was nearly filled with water. knocked off boiling took her in turned up the waist boat and dashed every thing solid fragments and heavy showers of rain all day

At 11.00 begins with a light breeze and a heavy swell started Nov 16 the works in the left copper hoops, shakes middle and latter part breeze accompanied with almost incessant rain

At 12.00 this day begins with high winds but clear from S.W. Nov 17 all hands employed in coopers oil copper the same middle and latter part a light breeze and birds fair for good weather we intended to stow down tomorrow weather permitting nothing remarkable

At 1.00 this day begins with a light breeze and good weather

Nov 18 all hands employed in stowing down middle & latter part breeze fresh with some rain we killed a large hog yesterday saw nothing in o's

At 2.00 this day begins and ends with a light breeze and good

Nov 19 weather all hands employed in stowing down and dashing water on deck got the oil all down at 4 P.M. with the exception of one cask P.M. coopers making a break to fill the tier saw no fish no o's

At 3.00 begins and ends with a light breeze and

Nov 20 all hands employed in stowing down middle and latter part a stiff breeze same way with incessant rain the watch employed cleaning bond copper a part of day making a break this morning hoisted the main-sail and started S.W. all day at 4 P.M. double reefed the topsails at 6 sets the watch L. and starboard in more o's

At 5.00 this day begins with a heavy breeze S.W. the watch

Nov 21

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employed in cleaning bone cooper making worms-fung
middle part rain latter part wind drops round S.W.
but very light and for a while ceased raining close
reefed the main topsail and in a short time let
the reef out again and set the mizen topsail at
night set the watch as before steering no obs
weathers begins with a heavy breeze N.W. the watch employed
Nov 22 as before cooper making bungs middle variable &
rain latter part a heavy gale same way furled
the main topsail & turned up the waist boat ways
this day begins with a fresh breeze the watch employed
Nov 23 in cleaning bone cooper making bungs middle rain
at 3 P.M. heavy gusts of wind from opposite point
accompanied with rain called all hands closed up
and furled every thing but fore topmast staysail
towards night very fine and little or no wind
saw finbacks no obs Latitude $33^{\circ}45'$ South
this day begins with a gale and ends much the same
Nov 24 the watch employed in making mats for the
fires and mending boats two at once cooper wheting
saws and repairing old tiers no obs
Nov 25 begins and ends with fine weather all hands employed
in breaking out cooper setting up shakes took the
iron hoops on deck and built a bone-fun in the
fore hold of heading moved the provision &c.
got through and ready to set the watch about one
o'clock morning saw whales P.M. no obs
Nov 26 this day begins and ends with a gentle breeze and
good weather the watch employed in sundries
cooper as before there seems to be something in the
wind abaft the Mizen mast saw great numbers
of finbacks nothing remarkable

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mon begins with a light breeze S.W. the watch employed in
Nov 27 sundries cooper as before middle and latter part
freezes on after 4 sent a main topsail double
reefed took in Jib & mainsail and wore ship saw
fin & hump-backs Latitude about 40° S. no obs

tues begins with a good breeze S.W. the watch employed
Nov 28 in sundries cooper as before B.S. carpentering
in the cabin middle and latter wine casks & other
his Highness says chestnut barrels is good enough for
whale oil and by his order there has been one fitted
for that purpose no obs

wednes begins with a fresh breeze the watch employed in
Nov 29 little or nothing cooper setting up shakes one of
which was not marked middle and latter part
wine casks S. & becomes quite moderate at 6
P.M. tacked and stood to Westward no obs

thurs begins with a good breeze & the watch employed
Nov 30 in little or nothing cooper as before Gasket men
ding a boat middle compels us to reef latter
part fine weather no obs

fri this day begins & ends with a good breeze and
Dec 1 cloudy weather at two P.M. raised spinn
wharves going in different directions some quick
and some slow lowered but without success
at night took in sail cooper as before no obs

sat begins and ends with bad weather such as thick fog
Dec 2 rain gusts of wind & set fore & mizen topsails
and after breakfast took them in again then most
of the crew went below and stayed there rest of
the day without interruption no obs

sund this day begins with a light breeze & thick fog nothing
Dec 3 going on but (cobling) mending clothes & c. middle

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off New Zealand

the same latter part cleared up with a fresh breeze from
Sthd. raised right whales one small one alongside
with little trouble then set the watch Boats crews work

mon this day begins and ends with a light breeze from Sthd.
Dec 4 all hands employed cutting finished sun about an
hour high got breakfast and sailed for another
but on coming up with him found him to be
so small as to be not worth taking and left
him accordingly and saw no more & cooper hooping
off shakes so ends this day

tues begins and ends with a pleasant breeze N.N.E. finished
Dec 5 boiling turned up 3 bbls. cooper as before made all
sail and Sthd. E. saw nothing but finbacks no obs

wednes this day begins and ends with a light breeze and
Dec 6 good weather the watch employed in making
scrub Brooms cooper setting up shakes at 6 P.M.
set the watch half & half saw nothing no obs

thurs this day begins and ends with a light breeze and
Dec 7 cloudy weather the watch employed in making
scrub Brooms cooper setting up shakes and finished
for the present saw one guvfish* no obs

fri begins with light & variable winds the watch employed
Dec 8 in little or nothing cooper at work on shakes and
Sthd. 2 pipes of lead into the cabin middle part
wind strikes it out Sthd. run W till 4 o'clock
where we raised right whales laying like logs
double reefed the topsails at 6 closed up & parted
them at 7 took in the foreboat no obs

sat this day begins with high winds and clear weather the
Dec 9 watch doing nothing cooper mending his clothes made
& latter part moderates at 4 P.M. set the fore top
saw no fish so ends this day

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sun begins with a good breeze from the N. and cool weather and
Dec 10 and latter part wind easterly (N.E. but very light) the crew
doing nothing, cooper mending parts of the day towards
night saw something on the weather bow looked like
spinn whale a good distance off no more obs.

moon begins with a light breeze the watch employed in night
Dec 11 sunset cooper hoisting & flogging beam going to stbd. all
day latter part cloudy with strong signs of rain at 6
P.M. double reefed the topsails saw finbacks no obs.

tues begins with a light breeze raised whale about sunrise

Dec 12 lured and took him alongside with very little trouble
got breakfast lured and killed another but he was
so dry & small that we cut the ribs out of him &
let him go saw another that was so small we would
not strike him latter part breezes on cooper as
before so ends this day.

wednes begins and ends with a strong breeze N.W. all hands

Dec 13 employed boiling cleaning bone &c. cooper at
sundries obs finished boiling about 4 P.M. then
up about forty lbs. green oil steered E. all day
saw no fish at night L.W. & stbd. no obs.

thurs this day begins with a fresh breeze from N.W. raised

Dec 14 whales lured and turned up one & sunk him
came aboard latter out of sets run N.E. most
of the day latter part squally with some hail
towards night saw plenty of whales chased up
fore & Mizzen topsails close reefed the main and
set the watch boats crews no obs.

fri begins with a light breeze & good weather lured

Dec 15 after breakfast turned up two whales and got them
both alongside about 11 got dinner and hooked one
got the last piece in about midnight took in sail

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and got supper looks like bad weather plenty of whales
saw 16 and started the works found several times for wheelbarrow
without success spoke the Corinthian of Bristol Dec
11 Months out with 700 lbs. of oil and got a few cians
and ears of her heard from the Orizimbo 1500 words
sun begins and ends with a light breeze and good weather
Dec 17 got one very large whale alongside half past 2 P.M.
finished cutting by dark (the sun setting) about 8
cooper employed in sundry jobs mending a boat
cutting in the gangway coopers &c. the Mate got his
boat stove badly no more oil
moon begins and ends with light and variable winds from
Dec 18 Wind with almost incessant rain all hands em-
ployed putting hawling boiling &c cooper on sun-
dry got a whale alongside put on two flukes chain
lashed the oil &c. then spliced the main brace and
got dinner at 6 and set the watch for the night
this day begins with little or no wind from the N. all
Dec 19 hands employed cooper repairing old barrels &c. on
the whale in with very little trouble latter part a
good breeze same way squalls of rain frequent noon
Dec 20 this day begins with a fresh breeze from the N. all hands
employed Capt. cooper & some others repairing a boat
middle and latter part some rain finished boiling
at sunset looks like a blow no oil
this begins and ends with a fresh breeze about N. E. & N.
Dec 21 all hands employed some mending a boat the
steering gang moving forward building Banks
in the forecabin &c. towards night got the bottom
up over the after hatch ready for breaking out
&c. saw plenty of whales no oil

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off Chatham side

Fri this day begins and ends with a fresh breeze and some
 Dec 22 rain all hands employed stowing down stowed pipes
 on the head next the Bulkhead with a tier of bbls.
 above started five pipes of head into the cabin got about
 100 lbs. down Amos Rounseville got badly hurt with a cast
 and is off duty no more obs

Sat this day begins with high winds W.S.W. all hands on
 Dec 23 played rising up an old topsail cooper fixing his
 bunk middle and latter part moderates saw a
 sail but no fish so ends this day no obs

Sun this day begins and ends with a good breeze A.M. warm
 Dec 24 and pleasant P.M. cloudy and cold with some rain
 all hands employed in stowing down finished and
 got stowed off by sunset started several pipes of head
 244 in the course of the day saw no whales at night set
 the Mizzen topsail and set the water harbour
 and Starboard nothing more remarkable

Mon this day begins and ends with high winds from S.W.
 Dec 25 accompanied with frequent showers of rain the
 watch employed in cleaning bone cooper this morn
 saw a sail to windward but no fish Latitude
 about 45° South no obs

Tues this day begins with a heavy breeze the watch
 Dec 26 employed in little or nothing cooper heading up pipe
 but was called off to mend a boat middle and latter
 part moderates spoke and garned with the splendid
 29 months out with 1000 had got only 50 barrels of
 sperm and two right whales since we left them at
 the Navigators no obs

Wednes this day begins and ends with little or no wind the
 Dec 27 watch employed in little or nothing cooper & morn
 mending a boat Blacksmiths at work on board

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^{off Chatham Island}

the splendid heard from the Gideon Howland
27 months out with only 300 lbs. of oil then lying
in the Bay of Islands no obs.

Nov. this day begins and ends with a fair breeze from N.W.

Dec 28 saw whales in different directions got two small ones &
cut them in lost one line cooper heading up & up
grinding spades &c. gained with the Corinthian &
let her a fluke chain at night set quartet watches

Dec 29 this day begins and ends with a light breeze from N.E.

Dec 29 all hands employed boiling doing nothing &c. cooper
making oak bungs saw nothing but finbacks.

towards night saw a ship to leeward cutting no obs.

Dec 30 this day begins with a good breeze (W. & S.W.) got one 50 lbs.

Dec 30 whale 1100, and cut him in middle and flows on
with rain & P.M. took in sail and set quartet
watches two ships in sight all day one the Corinthian
and the other we take to be the Neapolitan

Dec 31 this day begins and with a good breeze (W. & S.W.) thick

Dec 31 fog morning cleared up towards noon got one whale
and cut him in while the boats were off the ship

^{off St. John}

Mecame ^{off St. John} across our stern engaged after the Capt.

&c. but said nothing about oil neither did I ask him

how much he had nothing more remarkable

thus ends ends this year of oil Lord and
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mon this day begins with a good breeze but at about 8 AM
Jan 1 flows on to a gale from about S.W. one watch a
boiling the rest below coopers doing little or nothing
said no whales nothing remarkable

tues this day begins and ends with a good breeze from about
Jan 2 S.W. all hands employed some boiling others cleaning
bone coopers at sundries getting up shakes and heads
to set up tomorrow weather permitting towards night
raised two ships gaming seen within a few miles
of them and took in sail saw no fish no obs.

wednes this day begins with a stiff breeze and squalls of
Jan 3 rain after breakfast clears off lowered sunk one
whale came on board and shortly after landed
and took two alongside one a good size and
the other a small one middle almost calm
and very fine latter part flows on S.W. began
to cut got the head clear and one piece up
when the strap tore out then it being after
sunset we let them lay coopers setting up shakes

thurs this day begins and ends with all sorts of weather
Jan 4 from S.W. coopers setting up shakes cut the whale
in in good season then close reefed the topsails
and stood to W. saw whales towards night
in different directions no obs.

fri this day begins with a good breeze all hands employed
Jan 5 in sundries coopers at work on shakes middle of
latter part flow on accompanied with incessant
rain all hands rousing oil about the deck from one
place to another putting on extra lashings &c. till
most night when one watch went below finally
about sundown after everybody was wet to the skin
knocked off boiling no obs.

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at this day begins with a gale from N.W. one watch below the rest making oil lashings middle part good weather started the work in latter part blow on from N.W. and looks like rain cooper being a grinning storm and rounded at P.M. no obs.

mon. this day begins and ends with fine weather wind N.W. lured after breakfast struck a whale lost 5 harpoons sunk one & saved one cut him in sun 3 hours high when the Capt went aboard the Mearns after harpoons said ship is 18 months out with 27 or 28 lbs. cooper setting up shutes no obs.

mon. this day begins & ends with a moderate breeze from N.W. all hands employed boiling, whaling &c. cooper as before Blacksmith sick and off duty struck one whale and iron drawn saw very few whales no more obs.

tues. this day begins and ends with little or no wind S.W. all hands employed in stowing down towards night a heavy shower of rain worked till about 10 & knocked off a pipe of oil pitched away on deck and stove two lbs. of provision saw plenty of finbacks no obs.

wednes. this day begins and ends with a gale from N.W. after breakfast two men on deck the rest below called all hands at 11 and took in the foresail squalls of rain frequent

thurs. this day begins and ends with high winds from N.W. and

frid. 11 some rain two hands on deck the rest below cooper put a head into a drawbucket &c. saw a ship to N.W. which we took for the John Adams saw whales towards night nothing more remarkable.

sat. this day begins and ends with a fresh breeze from S.W. all hands employed in stowing down got through by dark stowed down 2, 16 lbs. towards night a heavy shower of rain saw plenty of whales no more obs.

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sat. this day begins and ends with a good breeze. At 10, our Jan 13 boats crew below the rest doing little or nothing cooper setting up shakes light showers of rain by spells all day game with the Corinthian of Bristol and saw several other ships but not many whales no obs.

sun. this day begins with cloudy weather and some rain the Jan 14 watch employed in little or nothing cooper setting up & reducing shakes middle and latter part good weather wind W.S.W. game with the ship canoe of Harve & months out 2 whales had one man killed by a B. the second mate lost his leg this morning by stepping into the line while fast to a whale no obs.

mon. this day begins and ends with a light breeze and good Jan 15 weather made all sail but saw nothing but finbacks three sail in sight to windward all day saw one of them take a whale towards night cooper setting up and hooping shakes at night took in sail so ends this day.

tues. this day begins and ends with a moderate breeze. from Jan 16 S.W. the watch employed in wetting hold cooper hooping off shakes latter part game with the Splendid & canoe the latter got a large sperm whale yesterday the Capt. said there was a great many round his ship all day but we saw nothing of them although we could see his hull distinctly off deck nothing more remarkable.

wednes. this day begins and ends with light & variable wind Jan 17 and thick fog about 10 AM. saw a whale coming quick loaded chance about 2 hours struck him and got him alongside two P.M. cut him in and set the watch by sunset four watches cooper as before nothing more worth remark.

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off Bhatnam Island

Mon. 18 this day begins with a good breeze from S. raised whales
18 10 AM. towed and chased some 3 or 4 hours but
without success got dinner raised the Splendid whaling
to toward chasing finbacks we then kept off from har-
to her and tugged too on the same tack she was stood
on til night then tacked and took in sail the ^{Splendid} do.
cooper as before no obs.

Tue. 19 this day begins with a light breeze from S.E. the watching
Jan 19 in tacking and filling cooper as before finished boiling 3 AM.
spoke the ship Virginia of I know not where the Capt. sent
a boat to put one letter on board the ship Shark of San
tacked giving no one else a chance too with latter part game
with the Splendid at night flows on and looks like rain
saw no fish closed up fore & mizen topsails no obs.

Wed. 20 this day begins with a light breeze (tho. with fog and rain
Jan 20 cooper doing nothing the rest the same towed twice for
whales but got none latter part wind came S.W. and
flows fresh at 6 close reefed at half past 7 closed up
and furled nothing remarkable

Thurs. 21 this day begins and ends with a fresh breeze from S.W.
Jan 21 raised whales before breakfast after breakfast got
one and cut him in before 12 cooper at work
in waist B.C. not much doing no obs.

Fri. 22 this day begins with a pleasant breeze and good weather
Jan 22 all hands employed in boiling &c. cooper brooding off
shakes B.C. at 11 raised whales got one cut him
in while cutting raised another got him along side
and took in sail by dark a large follow no obs.

Sat. 23 this day begins with a pleasant breeze (tho. dry) all hands
Jan 23 employed in cutting before dinner fastened to one
and parted S.W. sunk one lost three harpoons
broke three more lost one lance and some lines but
got no fish cooper as before no obs.

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Wednesday this day begins and ends with a fresh breeze from
Jan 14 Wed. all hands employed as usual cooper as before
coopering oil &c. saw but few whales and then
going quite at 6 P.M. close reefed the main
topsail nothing more remarkable.

Thursday this day begins and ends with a fresh breeze from
Jan 15th W.S. W. the most of the crew below A.M. cooper
setting up shakes P.M. started some oil into water
pipes and set them below cooper assisting in the
same saw no fish nothing remarkable.

Friday this day begins with a good breeze the watch employed
Jan 16 in sundries wetting oil between decks &c. middle and
latter part a living gale cooper setting up shakes
when the sea was breaking over and washing the
boards across the deck the molasses has been some
thing less than common, owing to the loss of
some Mackerel C.B. (4 or 5) which his Highness
charged we fool devils with stealing saying that
Cormackers never built a fire in the galley to roast
fish further adding we would gain nothing by it
saw plenty of whales in obs.

Saturday this day begins and ends with a good breeze the watch
Jan 17 employed in little or nothing cooper setting
up shakes steered almost all directions but saw
no whales towards night saw a ship no obs.

Sunday this day begins and ends with a fair breeze (S.W.)
Jan 18 got a small whale & cut him in A.M. P.M. chased
whales till night but without success cooper in the
Capt. boat saw whales all round the ship no obs.

Monday this day begins and ends with moderate weather from
Jan 19 (S.W.) about noon raised whales towed and
got a large one alongside 5 P.M. then got
tired

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The Capt. cut his hand badly with the lance so that
he went immediately on board the ship and will
in all probability be laid up for some weeks or so.
This day begins with a heavy breeze from N.W. all hands
employed in cutting finished & then got breakfast
saved all but the head that we did not think worth
bothering with. P.M. coopers hoopsing off shales towards
night birds fair for good weather whales in sight none
seen this day begins and ends with a good breeze from N.W.
all hands employed some boiling others breaking out
moving iron hoops shook heads rigging &c. coopers at
sundries finished boiling about 4 P.M. took in sail
and set the watch in good season nothing remarkable
This day begins and ends with a light breeze N.W. all hands
employed in stowing down starting water &c. in the
out found there was nine sixties of molasses worked till
dark as usual then cleared up decks saw no fish or birds
This day begins and ends with a light breeze S.W. all
hands employed in stowing down starting water &c.
stowed to the after part of the main hatch and half
a feet forward fine weather all day no obs.
This day begins and ends with a pleasant breeze S.W. all
hands employed in clearing up deck stowing off &c.
cooper reducing a cask to fit the tub making riers &c.
got one small whale A.M. cut him in and saw several
more at night looks like a change of weather no obs.
This day begins and ends with a fresh breeze from N.W.
and a bad sea got one small whale (perhaps 10 lbs.) and
cut him in by 4 P.M. saw several more going to
windward coopers making riers &c. no obs.
This day begins with a heavy breeze S.W. all hands
employed in sundries coopers as before to a. 10 hrs.

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Bowen Strait.

Lat. about 45° 30'

off S.S.W. under double reefed fore & main topsails at half past one P.M. comes on to rain moved a part of water and close reefed the main topsail at 4 o'clock up the fore topsail at sundown heaved to no obs.

Thurs this day begins and ends with a good breeze from N.W. Feb 6 a thick fog and some rain before breakfast started the works boiled all day and got one case which was about one half the hull of two whales stood on the starboard tack close hauled till 3 P.M. then tacked and stood to N.W. saw one small whale cooper as before five men sick and off duty one of them taken this even no obs.

Wednes this day begins and ends with a moderate breeze N.W. Feb 7 all hands employed breaking out and cooping oil from under the trivorks took out some twenty one or two cases and found some of them one third out then began to stow back at night there was not much of it down his Highness said we should finish it before we slept got supper and started afresh 12 o'clock came (not all down) daylight came (not all down) at sunrise all down when orders were issued for all hands to go below nothing more remarkable.

Thurs this day begins with a light breeze N.W. called all hands Feb 8 about 9 got breakfast then stood two and two till 12 when all hands was called to stow off the blubber room got it stowed off then broke it out again to feed down a couple of casks of corn then washed off the deck finished by dark as usual rained all day no obs.

Fri this day begins and ends with a good breeze about S.W. Feb 9 the crew employed in making spungum for bone &c. cooper making bungs and attending to the calls of his Highness which were frequent at night pulled fore & main topsails saw nothing no obs.

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sat this day begins and ends with a fresh breeze N.E. W. the
Feb 10 mates making a new coat after breakfast steered N.
N.W. under double reefed topsails the sea breaking over
fore & aft cooper not at work at night took in sail
and luffed too thick took on the quarter deck most
of the day and some words with the sick wishing
to know whether they were ever coming on deck again
to one in particular adding he had been below about
long enough &c. &c. nothing more remarkable

sun this day begins and ends with a fresh breeze S.W. after
Feb 11 breakfast steered N.N.W. hove a new pair of fore
hales at night set the watch larboard and Starboard
carrying close reefed topsails foresail & spinnakers
mizen topmast not set no obs.

mon this day begins with a fresh breeze S.W. the sea breaking
Feb 12 and is fresh aft not much doing except to remove tops
gallant sheets middle and latter part moderates steered
N by W. Latitude observed $40^{\circ}50'$ South no obs.

tues this day begins with a good breeze & all hands employed
Feb 13 cleaning some cooper mending a boat that was
recently stove by a sea on the cranes fine weather
all day but latter part quite moderate and wind
cant W. & looks like rain at night double reefed
the topsails saw a sail on the weather beam no obs.

wednes this day begins and ends with a good breeze W. & all
Feb 14 hands employed in cleaning bundling and stowing
some in the run cooper mending a boat & sundry
other jobs too numerous to mention no obs. Lat. $5^{\circ}50'$

thurs this day begins and ends with a good breeze N.W.
Feb 15 all hands employed in cleaning ship washing the
with lye &c. cooper mending a boat saw nothing
headed about N.E. W. all day no obs.

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Sound to Bay of Islands

- fri this day begins and ends with little or no wind
feb 16 from different directions all hands employed as before
cooper painting a boat and sundry other Jobs
double reefed topsails all day saw nothing no obs.
sat this day begins with a fine breeze N. N. E. all hands
feb 17 employed in sending up topgallant masts yards &c.
&c. finished by dark as usual cooper painting the
running hither & thither made a head for the soap
barrel &c. latter part wind came N. with rain
steered W. N. W. all day at night set the watch larboard
and starboard saw nothing no obs.
sun this day begins with a light wind from N the watch
feb 18 employed in breaking the rigging out of the cabin and
boring holes to let the water into the lower hold it
having leaked around the midgen must putting
on mast coats &c. latter part nearly calm set the
fore topsail close reefed and blacksmiths lighted the
sheets home nothing more remarkable.
mon this day begins and ends with light and variable wind
feb 19 accompanied with fog all hands employed in
wetting hold cooper the same at 10 got breakfast
and dinner at 2 and supper after dark as usual
latter part have some rigging bent to the fore and foresail
&c. cooper making a draw Bucket no obs.
tues this day begins and ends with a pleasant breeze from
feb 20 N. E. one watch below the rest employed in sundry
Jobs cooper the same after 12 steered W. S. W. at
night set the watch larboard & starboard carrying
all sail nothing more remarkable.
wednes this day begins and ends with a light breeze from S. E.
feb 21 the watch employed in sundry cooper at work at cargo
splicing pump handle and smoothing outside of the ship where

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the fluke chain had chafed &c. J. M. took a watch below
in to stand a watch to night and hunc forward by order
of his Highness no land in sight yet.

Feb 22 this day begins with a moderate breeze S. E. all hands
employed getting the anchors off the bow until 10 then
the watch went below about middle of the day
spaced two small Islands to Larboard hand latter
part breeze on at luffed too & double reefed the topsails
coopers business of the day has been mending the head
boards, mastcoat, copper on the rail &c. &c. we have now
on board the ship according to my reckoning forty two
hundred bbls. of oil.

Feb 23 this day begins and ends with a fresh breeze from East
all hands employed in working ship to windward we having
got too far to leeward last night cooper at the helm most
of the time latter part heavy showers of rain and thick
fog got off the bay towards night but thought it best to
stand off and shorten sail and we did so now.

Feb 24 this day begins with a fresh breeze from E. all hands
employed in working ship in getting in and came to an
anchor about 8^{1/2} A. M. by the time the sails was furled
it set in to rain and kept it up till dark almost
without intermission found a considerable number
of shipping there among which was the following crews,
hesper, Parker, James Monroe, and Julian and many
others the names of which I do not know the latter of
the above mentioned I went aboard of and there found
Jacob Parker of whom I learned that my wife was
well and Eliza was married and this was all I could
learn no letters

Feb 25 this day begins with rain middle part lights up then
becketed some cash latter part comes on to rain again

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Day of Islands.

the boats crew of us went up to Sagar and returned before
dark all sober (something remarkable) no obs.
mon this day begins and ends with frequent showers of rain
feb 26 one boat watering another crouching about the Bay
the rest employed scraping the bends cooper setting
up shakes no fresh meat yet no more obs.
tues this day begins and ends with dry & warm weather
feb 27 all hands on duty painting &c. cooper as before
two English barks arrived to day one of which
saw plenty of sperm whales yesterday we have
had nothing fresh yet except potatoes no obs.
wednes this day begins and ends with fine weather all hands
feb 28 on duty cooper finished the shakes then found
a job over the stern carpentering to make out
the day a dog was brought on board at night
with orders to dispatch him before sunrise no obs
thurs this day begins and ends with fine weather one water
March 1 on liberty the rest doing little or nothing cooper
assisting to paint the stern the dog was killed
this day but not soon enough for us to have
cooked to day nothing more remarkable.
fri this day begins and ends with decent weather all hands
March 2 on duty doing nothing but to give the ship
a Parliament bell cooper painting the stern
last night I was called up to stand a watch
with the chief mate and his boats crew the
blacksmith stopped ashore last night but came
aboard this P.M. in shore boat and went
away again while the captain and officers
were aboard & carrying his chest clothes &c. an
singular to relate no one saw him until he
was some fifty or a hundred yds. from the ship

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March 3 this day begins and ends with good weather most of
the crew on shore cooper one of the number at
night all come off sober last night I handed
a couple of letters to Jacob Parker one for myself
and one for brother John no obs.

March 4 this day begins and ends with good weather the ship's
company taking in potatoes out of a schooner lying
alongside picking oakum &c. cooper calking soon
after breakfast was taken with a violent pain in
the stomach there was an English merchant ship
five months from Liverpool arrived here to day
it is said she is bound to the Spanish main no obs.

March 5 this day begins and ends with good weather the
water employed in painting coaltar picking
oakum &c. cooper calking towards night was taken
unwell and nocked off nothing more worth remark

March 6 this day begins with good weather the ship's company
employed in sundries cooper calking most of the
day the rest part sorting shakes heads and hoofts
for sale middle and latter part looks like rain
this morning several frenchmen came aboard
in order to ship and agreed to come in a days
nothing more worth remark

March 7 this day begins and ends with good weather all hands
on duty some stowing down oil in barrels some
taking shakes and hoofts on shore cooper fitting and
starting barrels into sixties there was 268 gallons of
whale oil went ashore to pay a man for services
this last evening nothing more remarkable

March 8 this day begins and ends with good weather all hands
on duty wetting hold &c. cooper painting the ship
mains varnishing the carved work &c. this eve.

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I went to the mate for a boat to go alongside the Rajah
he replied that the orders were if any one wanted to
go about the harbour that he must take his own
boat & oars as much as to say he must swim no oars
fri this day begins with cloudy weather middle and
March 9 latter part fine all hands on duty some fruit
cooper one of the of the members 3 frenchmen
shipped this morning but did not stop on
board nothing more remarkable

sat this day begins with fine weather most of the crew
March 10 on shore cooper is gunning latter part a heavy shower
of rain got aboard just before it came on no obs.

sun this day begins and ends with little or no rain
March 11 all hands on duty painting cooper among the
rest all hands of the commanders on shore with
the exception of three some have got their pay
others have gone without it several frenchmen
came aboard to day the Captain of the Rajah
died last night nothing more remarkable.

mon this day begins with good weather all hands on duty
March 12 doing little or nothing cooper went up the river
after a stick to make a head piece but it is pro
rotten then went on board and got permission
to go a fishing the Captain of the Rajah was
buried to day latter part a good shower no obs.

tue this day begins and ends with good weather all
March 13 hands on duty doing little or nothing cooper
making bungs there was a boy came off this eve
and tied up when he will be slaughtered is
uncertain it seems that we have plenty of coffee
to sell it appears we have sold 10 lbs and are
going to sell 20 more this however is not to be

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wondered at considering how we have used it
this day begins and ends with good all hands on
March 14 duty cooper washing his clothes but called off from
that and went in the boat with the carpenter
after a stick for a head knee after pulling about
five miles found a very good one brought it as
far as the carpenter's yard and there left it got on
board 5 P.M. then finished washing the ship. Hara
arrived here to day. time out not known.

March 15 this day begins & ends with good weather all hands

March 15 on duty cooper mending a boat we have now
nearly a full crew of English and French the
co-makers having nearly left nothing more.

March 16 this day begins with fine weather middle and

March 16 latter part cloudy but no rain all hands on
duty getting wood &c. cooper at work on a boat &c.
two sextets of malasses went ashore to day no obs.

March 17 this day begins and ends with cloudy weather more

March 17 or less rain most of the crew on shore cooper
on board getting his clothes ready for Cape Horn the
English ship Buffalo of London (a store ship) from
Sydney arrived here to day from hence is bound
home another man came aboard to night no obs.

March 18 this day begins and ends with high winds from East.

March 18 accompanied with frequent & heavy showers
of rain all hands on duty doing little just enough
for a poor excuse to keep them on board cooper
making a frame to set a ship in which the Capt.
had been buying the provisions that we shipped
have left killed a pig this P.M. no obs.

March 19 this day begins with rain middle and latter part good

March 19 weather all hands on duty cooper carpentering

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capt on shore most of the day nothing remarkable.
tues this day begins and ends with fine weather all hands
March 20 on duty getting water &c. cooper at sundry jobs.

The hog was entirely demolished this day without
our being able to get a piece off forward we have
had 3 meals of fresh since we lay here only no str.
wedens this day begins and ends with good weather all

March 21 hands on duty after wood &c. cooper at sundry
jobs too numerous to mention caught a good large
hog killed him P.M. nothing more remarkable

thurs this day begins and ends with good weather & all hands
March 22 employed in sundries cooper running butter & tithers

J.W.B. making tomphkins we had a fresh mess for
dinner all the wood and water is now on board no str.

fri this day begins and ends with good weather all hands

March 23 on duty on duty cooper making tomphkins and
on shore cutting flags &c. there is evident marks
of sailing soon there was a bawl on shore
last night of which his Highness was one got on
board about daylight as I was informed no str.

sat this day begins with a light breeze from S.W. called

March 24 all hands before daylight and hove short took
the anchor a little after sunrise tide running
strong it set us free of a ships sprettsail
yard that was lying at anchor which nearly un-
shipped our harbour quarter davis and broke
some spars that were across our stern when we
were some 15 or 20 miles out fell in with the ship
splendid the Capt went on board and was
gone perhaps an hour and a half then came
on board and stood out with a good breeze at
night Capt Brins was nearly out of sight no str.

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Bound Eastward

sun This day begins with cloudy weather the watch
March 25 employed in sundry jobs cooper mending a
boat about 10 a heavy shower latter part fine
weather gained with Elizabeth of London 26
months 1100 nothing more remarkable

mon This day begins with a good breeze from about S.W.
March 26 one boats crew below the rest employed in
sundries cooper mending a boat some rain A.M.
middle & latter part fine weather after 4 gained
with the Elizabeth so ends this day.

tues This day begins with cloudy weather and some rain
March 27 the watch employed in new strapping the
cutting tables P.M. cooper travelling shades wind
from W.S.W. all day ships course E. by N. halcyon
nothing more worth remarks.

wednes This day begins and ends with a good breeze from
March 28 W.S.W. one boats crew below the rest employed
in sundries clearing the tryposts ripping up an
old rib &c. cooper making bungs &c. at night
shortened sail and set the watches boats crews
so ends this day.

thurs This day begins with cloudy weather the watch
March 29 employed in mending sails repairing blocks
straps &c. cooper at trifling jobs middle & latter
part breezes on with signs of rain at night took
in fore & mizen topsails hauled over wind to
starboard this morning no obs.

fri This day begins & ends with a good breeze from S.W.
March 30 the watch employed in mending sails cooper
at handled two spades then went to work on
the little ship for the Capt. at night double
reefed the topsails nothing more remarkable

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Brandywine

sat this day begins and ends with light breezes and
March 31 variable after breakfast raised whales perhaps
8 or 10 towed and chased until about noon
before we got fast had time to tow about 5
miles got her alongside about sunset said she
would make 15 lbs. saw a ship boiling no obs.
sun. this day begins & ends with good finished cutting
April 1 about middle the P.M. gained with the
flamander of Chantucket 30 months out boiling
her last whale cooper began to set up shakes
towards night set the the watch and started
the works in good season no obs.

mon. this day begins and ends with fine weather and
April 2 a light breeze all hands employed as a matter
of course about 11 A.M. raised whales to turn
kept off got dinner and towed away 3 boats
got a very large whale alongside by middle
the P.M. we are now badly lanned for cask
to put oil in nothing more worth remark
tues. this day begins with good weather all hands employed
April 3 in cutting boiling &c. cooper making cask as before
middle cloudy latter part comes on to rain and
slow finished cutting about sundown took in fore
& mizen topsails so ends this day

wedens this day begins with high winds from W.S.W. all
April 4 hands employed as before (Boiling) cooper as before
about 10 took in the Main topsail and fore sail
and began to rouse oil about the deck from one
place to another cooper knocked off to assist in
the same and kept it up till about 2 P.M. the day
heavy showers of rain and the sea boarding us
fore and aft by works going until a sea came

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over and put the fire out the Capt then ordered
the man before the works to slack down the fire
Just before that we had broke some wood out of
the lubberroom and throwed the stubbel down
there all except what was in the tubs which was
going across the deck. In the P.M. then calked
down the hatches in the midst of it turned up
the boats &c though not before they were stove then
got dinner and one watch went below while
the rest were doing I know not what for my own
part I was making wormpegs I forgotten to say
that the fore spinnel was set in the bustle and
the mast carried away main spinnel set &
furled several times main topsail set again
&c. about 4 P.M. cooper was called to go to work
on shaves again orders come to start the works again
&c. which was done accordingly while the water
was cooling across the about as bad as when we put
the stubbel below to give the reader some idea of
it he would not allow the boys on the main
deck for fear they would get washed overboard
thurs this day begins with high winds & a very heavy sea
Fri 5 all hands as before cooper likewise Capt assisting
in the same about 10 set the fore topsail double
reefed middle and latter part quite moderate
wind S. S. E. one man got thrown down the main
scotteryway while hauling the junk forward to
cut up which will probably lay him up for
a few days nothing more at present.

Fri this day begins and ends with high winds from
Sat 6 All hands employed in housing oil above
the ^{deck} until past noon finished boiling about

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the same time then got dinner & sent all hands below except two saw one sail so ends this day sat this day begins and ends with a good breeze from the April 7 all hands employed in wetting hold starting water &c. cooper making bungs towards night garried with the Jasper of Fairhaven 6 months out with 500 lbs. of sperm and one right whale no tellers for us so ends this day.

sun this day begins and ends with a pleasant breeze April 8 East. and good weather all hands employed in stowing down oil in the blubber room towards night garried with the Jasper again did not quite finish stowing down nothing remarkable

mon. this day begins and ends with a pleasant breeze April 9 from E.S.E. all hands employed as before finished and got washed off sun about an hour high saw no fish checked the main hatch completely off and had one cask left on deck.

tues. this day begins with a good breeze from E.S.E. all hands April 10 employed in sundry jobs. cooper coopersing water A.M. latter part squally cooper making a fore trysail mast at night close reefed the topsails and wore ship to the starboard no obs.

wedens this day begins and ends with a good breeze from April 11 E.S.E. the watch employed in mending sails making sprun yarn &c. cooper on the sail two ships in sight nearly all day at night took in sail nothing more worth remark.

thurs this day begins and ends with a fresh breeze April 12 from E.S.E. the watch employed in mending sails cooper the same after 4 P.M. sent a Main topsail saw two ships one of them right

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^{Bound East.}
ahead all day at night he was perhaps 20 miles
off nothing more remarkable.

^{his}
this day begins & ends with a good breeze from
April 15 about N.E. the watch employed in mending
sails cooper the same steered S.E. all day after
4 bent another main topsail shortened sail
tacked ship about dark which concluded
the days work. nothing more worth remark.

^{at}
this day begins and ends with a good breeze from
April 16 about N.E. the watch employed in wetting
hold making scrub rooms &c. stood on the
Starboard tack all day towards night raised
a spout ahead 4 miles off stood along while
hauling the main yard aback lay till sunset &
saw no more of it then doubled reefed the topsail
for the night had a fresh mess for supper out
of the pig we killed yesterday remarkable.

^{on}
this day begins with a good breeze from N.E. nothing
April 15 doing latter part some rain gamed with the
Casper at ^{night} breeze on double reefed the topsails
and after the Capt. came aboard pulled
fore and mizen and close reefed the main
then set the fore spinnec then set the watch
boats crews weather looks bad so ends this day.

^{on}
this day begins with a moderate breeze the watch
April 16 employed in fitting new Jibendants cooper
put a couple of irons into the rail to hook the
main spinnec Barrys to after that went to work
on the little ship latter part light winds and
variable looks like rain so ends this day.

^{his}
this day begins and ends with a good breeze
April 17 from S.E. the watch employed in fitting

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Bound Albat.

rigging making spumyarn & cooper at work on the
ship for the Capt. started N.W. Lat. about 53°
winds this day begins and ends with a good breeze from
April 18 E.S.E. the watch employed in making spumyarn
& cooper as before. Larboard tacks aboard
all day saw no fish nothing worth remark
this day begins and ends with a fresh breeze
April 19 from East. the watch employed in
making spumyarn at work on rigging & cooper
at work on the little ship started
to Albat. all day with a free wind no obs.
fri. this day begins and ends with a fresh breeze
April 20 from E.S.E. the watch employed as before cooper
at work on the little ship been steering N. all
day saw no fish Latitude by obs. 29° 30' no obs.
sat. this day begins & ends with a good breeze from
April 21 S.E. the watch employed in wetting & making
making gaskets & cooper at work on the little
ship saw no fish no obs.
sun. this day begins with good weather raised whales &
April 22 A.M. got one alongside about 2 P.M. cut off
the head and hove the body in by 3 P.M. it
almost inseparably all the while after supper
set the watch Larboard & Starboard to cut up the
blubber we lay the whale at 150 lbs.
mon. this day begins with a light breeze from Albat.
April 23 all hands employed in cutting cooper the same
finished about 11 o'clock and got breakfast
washed off cut up the Lunk and got dinner &
supper at both under one then set the watch for
the night middle & latter part of the day been
fresh with heavy showers of rain no obs.

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Bound East.

Wed 24 this day begins and ends with a fresh breeze from about S. W. all hands employed boiling unreeving cutting gear &c. cooper finished setting up the shakes (a long job got through with) then began putting heads into the harness cask for oil stowed E. N. E. all day double reefed topsails the most of the time we are in hopes to finish boiling by 7 o'clock in the morning no obs.

Thurs 25 this day begins and ends with a good breeze from S. S. E. all hands employed in breaking out the fore hold bundling bone &c. cooper heading up harness cask barrels &c. stowed the cooler in the after hatch filled it and calked the cover down nothing more worth remark except to say that according to my calculations there is now not less than forty four hundred on board the ship.

Fri 26 this day begins and ends with a light breeze & fine weather all hands employed in stowing down the fore hatch put down nine cask of water and ten cask of oil which filled it up and took the oil all off deck then raked up the sheathing shooked 4 cask and hove the tryworks overboard to the great joy of the crew Latitude by observation $27^{\circ}51'$ no obs.

Sat 27 this day begins and ends with a fine breeze from East. all hands employed in dashing spurs amidships as also water and making ready for Cape Horn got all secure about sunset and made all sail got supper & set the water larboard and starboard cooper intends to stand a regular keel forward no obs.

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Down Home

Sat. this day begins and ends with a good breeze from N.W. & E. all hands employed in fitting rigging cooper the same got the deck cleared up by dark nothing more worth remark.

Sun. this day begins and ends with a fresh breeze from about April 29 E. not much doing except to wet the hold.

I have not mentioned Latitude for I have not heard it mentioned no obs.

Mon. this day begins and ends with a fresh breeze from April 30 E. all hands employed in fitting rigging cooper got the bellows up and mended the fore top gallant tie & martingale guy that was parted last night. the tie was parted this morning while hoisting up the sail. J. M. cooper split the main royal-mast Latitude $35^{\circ}49'$ no obs.

Tues. this day begins and ends with a fresh breeze from May 1 S. E. one watch below the rest employed in making gaskets & c. cooper the same but the martingale-guy parted again & cooper put another link into it at 12 double reefed topsails at night took in the Lib. we had a fresh mess for supper Latitude unknown no obs.

Wedens. this day begins & ends with a heavy breeze and May 2 a bad sea all hands employed in fitting the new sails ready to bend them to a fore topmast staysail and got nearly all the rest ready to bend nothing more worth remark.

Thurs. this day begins and ends with a heavy breeze from May 3 S. E. with frequent showers of rain one watch below the rest employed in little or nothing except to take in and make sail His Highness and officers were to be at loggerheads nothing more worth remark.

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Day 4 this day begins and ends with a light breeze from N.W. and fine weather all hands employed in landing a new suit of sails cooper the same finished by dark and stowed the sails below by morning then pumped ship and went forward to supper we had just made a beginning when we were all called aft to haul the sails up again we all went aft and sat down on a spar near the cabin gangway where we remained some 20 or 30 moments without hearing any more about the sails when we had orders to go forward again steered E. S. E. all day no obs.

Day 5 this day begins and ends with a light breeze from N.W. the watch employed in sundries cooper hanging studs in sail from cranes P. M. stopped on deck to put the quarter irons on the fore yard got them on about sunset steered E. all day with star sail set no obs.

Day 6 this day begins with a light breeze from N.W. the watch employed in wetting hold maddles and latter part wind came S. E. P. M. cooper fitted a pump box nothing more remarkable.

Day 7 this day begins with light breezes from E. the watch employed in sundries cooper lashing pieces of plank into the deck where the sea was bad middle & latter part a fine breeze same way P. M. started a cask of water at night cooper feels very much unwell no obs.

Day 8 this day begins with a fresh breeze and some rain the watch employed in strapping blocks making sunset P. M. cooper sick and off duty latter part close reefed the topsails reefed the mainsail

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then wore ship and stood to N.W. the wind
having parted S. E. Lat. about 42° Lon. 160 north.
wedens begins with light & variable winds the watch
May 9 filoyed in sundries there was a man by the name
of Mosier fell overboard from off the Libloom the
morning while clearing the sail from the guy we
rounded too towed a boat and got there just
timely to save him he is hurt some in the back
by falling across the Martingale he is therefore off
duty as well as myself middle and latter part a good
breeze N. E. nothing more remarkable.

thurs this day begins with variable winds and fog all
May 10 day with frequent showers of rain the watch
employed in sundries cooper below Mosier the
same latter part wind sets at S. E. by S. cooper
intends to stand watch to night no obs.

fri this day begins & ends with a fresh breeze from
May 11. S. S. E. the watch employed in sundries
cooper making scatchmen & putting on
straps on one of the barriers I am told that
his Highness made some few words to Mr.
Rounseville nothing more worth remark.

sat this day begins and ends with a strong breeze from
May 12 S. E. with heavy showers of rain reefed the
courses and close reefed the topsails &c. little or
nothing doing to day nothing more remarkable

sun this day begins and ends with a fresh breeze
May 13 from about S. the watch employed in setting
up the main topmast backstays and rigging
cooper mending the sheet latter part all hands
getting up extra backstays which we made of
a trawser finished by dark no obs.

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begins with a good breeze from W. the watch
14 employed in sundries middle wind came S.
suddenly latter part blow heavy took in sail
to double reefed fore & main topsails fore
sail & fore sheet it has rained almost
inseparately since 9 o'clock no obs.

this day begins with a heavy gale from S. called
15 all hands lost before daylight and took in
the foresail run perhaps ^{large took in the fore topsail} a couple of hours
the lee rail going under frequently parted the
main topsail sheet and swept the larboard
quarter boat off the Davie notwithstanding she
was turned up also swept away some of the lee
bulwarks then took in the fore topsail and
luffed too there is one thing here worth remark
i.e. we omitted washing the deck latter part
moderates reefed 1 and set the courses and fore
topsail Latitude $41^{\circ} 45'$ no more obs.

this day begins with a good breeze from about
16 N. E. the watch employed in sundries latter
part wind came E. N. E. wore ship and stood
Sthd. cooper repairing the monkey rail Lon $15^{\circ} 2'$
double reefed topsails all day no obs.

this day begins with a good breeze from about
17 S. E. the watch employed in sundries cooper
Blacksmithing latter part breeze on took in top
gallant sails and double reefed the topsails stood
stood on the larboard tack all day no obs.

this day begins and ends with a good breeze from
18 about E. S. E. the watch employed in sundries about
the rigging cooper making lids and some other jobs.
nothing more worth remark no obs.

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^{sun} this day begins and ends with a good breeze from
May 19 N.E. the watch employed in sundries such as
wetting hold at work on the rigging cooper fine
the ship then made out the day making and
putting a strap on the head of the Mainmast
bapt. assisting in the same no obs. Lat. 45° 15'
^{sun} this day begins and ends with a fresh breeze from
May 20 about E. N.E. not much doing to day stood
under single reefed topsails most of the day at
7 ev. closed down and double reefed. Lat 46° 34'
^{moon} this day begins with a light breeze from about N.
May 21 the watch employed putting another band on
the Mainmast head cooper Master of the same
latter part wind came N.W. finished the mast
3 P.M. then got dinner the coal is all gone
May 22 this day begins and ends with a fine breeze
from West. the watch employed in getting the
Royal masts ready to go aloft making spungyarn
cooper making Tackstay soothermen &c. no obs.
wedens this day begins with a good breeze N.W. the watch
May 23 employed in sundries cooper put on some Tackstay
the spungyarn reel has been going almost without
intermission notwithstanding there has been
more or less rain all day latter part wind
came N. N. E. watch making gaskets Lat.
not observed to day but yesterday was found to be
47° 1' Lon. 140° 5' no obs
thurs this day begins with a good breeze West. latter part
May 24 wind came W. last night it rained without
intermission and blew very ^{hard} close reefed the topsails
carried away the mizen topsail sheet and the Bob
stay and it was half past eleven A.M. before

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we got it mended and got breakfast then went below got dinner at 2 and supper at 6 no obs.

Day 2.5 This day begins with a good breeze from S.W. accompanied by fog and rain the watch employed in making gaskets at work about the rigging cooper making scotometer it is impossible for me to get time to make a tid for this moment I make my appearance on deck there is a job of carpentering laid out latter part wind eases & nothing more worth remark.

Day 3.6 This day begins and ends with variable wind from S.W. & East. with rain most of the day not much doing at two took in topgallant sails at 6 took in the Jib & mainsail and double reefed the Topsails and what is most remarkable the spinnaker reel has not been in operation to day no obs.

Day 4.7 This day begins and ends with a heavy breeze from E.S.E. nothing doing rain all day at 4 P.M. close reefed the Topsails reefed the foresail furled the Mainsail and set the spencers no obs.

Day 5.8 This day begins with a heavy breeze from E.S.E. reefed and set the mainsail cooper unwell and off duty all day latter part moderates and clears off with a fine breeze same way I judge the Lat. to be about 50° N. and Lon. about 140° W. no obs.

Day 6.9 This day begins and ends with a light breeze from S.E. and good weather the watch employed in sundries making spinnaker & cooper off duty Latitude by obs. $48^{\circ} 49'$ Lon. found by chronometer to be 130° W. nothing more worth remark;

Day 7.0 This day begins with a calm the watch employed in making a topsail-runner middle a light breeze from about N. latter part a light

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breeze from N. W. cooper repaired a block &
understand the spinnaker-reel by order of his
Highness has been condemned to rest till we get
round Cape Horn. no obs.

thurs this day begins and ends with a light breeze from
May 31 the watch employed in sundries cooper doing
jobs aloft at carpentering at night looks
like rain no obs.

fri this day begins and ends with a good breeze from
June 1 the watch employed in doing nothing
latter part cooper repaired the cooks funnel
Latitude $49^{\circ}29'$ S. Lon. about 121° W. no obs.

sat this day begins and ends with a good breeze from
June 2 the employed in nothing cooper the same latter
traced sharp up steered E. by S. all day Lon.
about $148^{\circ}40'$ W. Lat not observed no obs.

sun this day begins and ends with a calm the water
June 3 employed in tracing the yards this way & that
rigging out booms and rigging in setting & hauling
down studdensails &c. this P.M. I saw from off
deck something bearing about N. which I called
land apparently a small Island about 40 miles
distant Lat. $52^{\circ}58'$ Lon. $114^{\circ}41'$

mon this day begins with a good breeze from about N.E.
June 4 at 10 A.M. took in topgallant sails at 12 double
reefed the topsails at 8 took in the Gib nothing
more remarkable

tues this day begins and ends with a fresh breeze from
June 5 N.E. at 9 set the main topgallant sail over
a single reefed topsail about 2 P.M. got an
extra pull on the sheets at 4 the weather sheet
and boom parted and tore the sail from the

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Leaves from clue to taring no obs.

Wednes this day begins with a good breeze from N.E. sent
June 6 the topgallant sail down all hands on deck
till it was rofied bent & new rigging rove P.M.
wind came favourable before dinner his Highness
sent Hiram Ashley to scrape and slush all
the masts which took him till dark without
his dinner for a very slight or no offence at all
the particulars of which are not worth mention
Lat $55^{\circ}16'$ Lon. $108^{\circ}54'$ no obs.

Thurs this day begins with variable winds & S.W. the
June 7 watch employed in mending a studingsail
latter part a fine breeze from W.S.W. and some
rain the watch employed in fitting studingsail
gear cooper fitted a block for the hawtyards no obs
except the boy was sent to clean the slush off the
topmasts that he put on last Eve. ~~not~~

Fri this day begins and ends with a fresh breeze from
June 8 W.S.W. fore compass carried away some of the lower
studingsail gear twice then took it in about 6 P.M.
while at supper the topmast studingsail hawtyards
parted and split the sail all to pieces then began
to reef topsails Lat. $56^{\circ}10'$ Lon.

Sat this day begins and ends with a fresh breeze from about
June 9 S.W. steered E. all day under double reefed topsails
at 4 P.M. reefed the mainsail and close reefed
the topsails Lat. about 57° Lon. $98^{\circ}30'$ W. no obs.

Sun this day begins and ends with a heavy breeze from S.W.
June 10 between eight & nine A.M. let one reef out of
the fore and main topsails squalls of snow frequent
Lat. observed $57^{\circ}58'$ S. Lon. unknown no obs.

Mon this day begins and ends with a fresh breeze from
June 11 (97) * this morning S.W.

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at 8 A.M. turned out one reef into the Jib and reef out of the mainsail steered E. N. E. all day at about one P.M. carried away the Larboard Mastsail sheet Low. about 8 P.M. so ends this day.

Tues. This day begins with a good breeze from S.W. the June 12 watch Miss those that chewed tobacco were called upon to wash off tobacco juice from the Bulwarks under the house. upon a mans being asked if he used tobacco answered yes that he used some sometimes but he did not spit it against the Bulwarks &c. his Highness replied he would sooner see their Wax dropped there than that latter part wind came N. N. W. with a light breeze and a thick storm of snow no obs.

wedens this day begins and ends with a good breeze from June 13 N. E. the watch employed in taking out the Larboard pump the boy having been spoiled in drawing and a piece of it left behind got it in and completed about sundown we have not seen the sun for two days snow and rain all day nothing more worth remark.

Thurs. This day begins and ends with a heavy breeze from June 14 N. N. W. called the watch as usual and reefed the mainsail about 11 A.M. took in the Jib P.M. close reefed the topsails while reefing got the ship aback which caused a Senioral hubbub but lucky for us no bad accident was occasioned by it no sun yet but rain & snow incessantly.

Fri. This day begins with a light breeze made all sail June 15 but before breakfast took in topgallant sails at 12 double reefed at 5 P.M. close reefed fore & mizen at 8 the main furled and wore ship

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at 4 P.M. furled the mainsail middle and latter part
a heavy breeze S.E. hail all day no sun yet.

at this day begins and ends with light and variable winds
June 16 from Nthd. called the watch as usual and found
the stings of the fore yard parted got up a tackle
lifted the yard and put in a shackle in lee of
a link then got breakfast and hove a new main
topsail runner latter part wind very light we had
the good luck to get the sun and found the Latitude
to be $59^{\circ}50'$ and Lon $75^{\circ}41'$ no obs.

June 17 this day begins with a fresh breeze from E.S.E. single
reefed topsails middle and latter part wind
dies and cuts E.N.E. ships course S.E. cooped put
a copper tube into a barrel for the Capt. after 4
P.M. Thomas Woshies mended my shoes no obs.

June 18 this day begins with a calm also calm all night
middle part a gentle breeze from E.S.E. latter part
dies away calm got no sun to day but plenty of
fog and rain. this following is worthy remark i.e.
got breakfast in good season as also dinner and supper

June 19 this day begins with a good breeze Nthd. ships course
E.S.E. middle the same latter part (say) about 4
wind dies suddenly to a calm took in steering sails
& topgallant & hauled up fore and mainsails
saw Cape Pigeons and strong tide rips which gave
us to understand we were not far from land no sun
yet but hail most of the day no obs.

June 20 this day begins with a calm cooped and the mate mending
cannons on the rim of the main top to prevent the
topsail from chafing middle and latter part a fine
breeze from about S.W. steering E.S.E. but little hail
but cloudy all day got no altitude no obs.

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Thurs this day begins with a fresh breeze from N. W.
June 21 with heavy rain washed off with salt water
nevertheless middle light winds & variable latter
part a good but moderate breeze from W. S. W. we
calculate we are a good piece to the East of the
land. Latitude observed ~~no obs.~~

Fri this day begins with a good breeze from S. W. the watch
June 22 employed in bending and setting studding sails below
and aloft saw a brig about 10 A.M. off the harbour
quarter steering the same way (N. E.) P.M. blows
on with squalls of rain and snow wind earts
about S. at 6 took in studding sails and reefed mizen
topsail Lat. by D. R. ~~53° 50'~~ ^{53° 50'} Lon. by Chronometer ~~55° 30'~~ ^{55° 30'}

Sat this day begins with a good breeze from S. middle
June 23 and latter part blows on at 2 P.M. took in
main topgallant sail at 4 close reefed topsail
and furled mizen topsail and reefed fore sail
at 8 took in fore sail & fore topsail brace sharp
the main yard and heaved two squalls of snow
frequent no obs.

Sun this day begins with a moderate breeze from S. W. made
June 24 all sail middle and latter part earts W. with a
fine breeze P.M. steered N. N. E. Lat ~~53° 00'~~ ^{53° 00'}
Lon. by Chronometer ~~55° 44'~~ ^{55° 44'} bids fair for good
weather no obs.

Mon this day begins and ends with a fine breeze from S.
June 25 W. the watch employed in doing nothing except
to work the ship steered N. by E. Lat. about ~~53° 50'~~ ^{53° 50'}

Tues this day begins and ends with a moderate breeze from
June 26 about S. W. the watch employed in rigging out
a main topmast studding sail and some other
fetty jobs cooper put in the boom. Irons
* by observation

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fine weather all day Latitude observed $5^{\circ} 0' 34''$
one man sick and off duty by the name of White
wednes this day begins and ends with fresh breeze and squally
June 27 from S.W. between 4 & 6 A.M. carried away the
fore topmast standing sail boom then took in all
the standing sails fore & aft but set them again
when the Capt. came on deck took them in again
before 12 P.M. put one reef in the topsails and
took in the topgallant sails Lat. $48^{\circ} 50'$ no obs.

thurs this day begins and ends with a good breeze from
June 28 N.N.W. about 2 A.M. carried away the Jib
stay this morning clinched it set it up and set
the Jib Latitude observed $45^{\circ} 49'$ no obs.

Fri this day begins with a fresh breeze from N.N.W.
June 29 the watch employed in repairing damages
between 2 & 4 A.M. carried away the main & mizen
topsail sheets as also the Jib sheet and stowed the sail
out of the rope without doing any other particular
damage except to carry away the lee lift of the
crossjack yard latter part wind came a little
to W. with inseparable rain but moderates cooper
mended a topsail sheet with iron hook at 4 P.M.
began to let out reefs furlled the mainsail soon
after carrying away the topsail sheets no obs.

Sat this day begins with a wholesail breeze from W. & S.
June 30 the watch employed in clearing away flying
Jib boom getting the rigging royal rigging &c. out
of the fore hatch cooper putting a copper hoop
on the splice of the skysail mast planing it
over leading the shives &c. latter part wind came
Ald. and blows on between 4 and 6 took in top
gallant sails & double reefed the topsails between 6 & 8
took in the Jib

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sun this day begins with a ^{Breeze from} heavy breeze from W.S.W.
July 1 the watch employed (letting) out reefs &c. last night
between 10 & 12. Hoveed very heavy took in mainsail
close reefed the topsails then furlled the mizen wind
cants abaft the beam squared in the yards and run
the sea breaking over us half mast high. middle
latter part wind cants ahead & moderates between
6 & 8 blows on but more in our favor close reefed
the topsails and furlled Jib and mainsail &
Judge the Lat. to be about $46^{\circ}00$ no obs.

mon this day begins with a good breeze from W.S.W.
July 2 the watch employed in little or nothing cooper the
same latter part wind cants aft with a gentle
breeze this morning soon after breakfast Wm. Smart
(boatsteerer) was aft for some cause or other when
the Capt. ordered him to pull off his shoes and
let him see them which order was readily obeyed
after turning them over several times ordered him
to go and grind down the nails in the heels Smart
replied that sooner than do that he would throw
them overboard adding that he paid too much
for them to wear them out on the grindstone then
heave them overboard & every thing else that belong
to you then heave yourself after them and be d-d
to you was the reply &c. at the same time taking
Smart by the throat and throwing him on deck
in a rough manner then ordered him forward
and followed after him as far as the main rigging
where he choked him again then called for a scraper
and set him to scrape the deck Smart told him the
scraper was dull the answer was then put on more
allow grease he then went on to twist Smart off

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things that were transacted ^{Bound Home} many months ago and that in a provoking manner to which Smart made some reply he then fell to choking him again swearing he would break every bone in him desert him &c. all this time Smart did not so much as raise his hand to him he the Capt then left him after a while and soon after took his quadrant to get the sun when dinner was ready and gone down.

Smart left the deck and went below but eat nothing by the time the rest had done dinner the Mate came called to him and said the captain wanted him Smart went on deck followed by several others where he found his Highness with his mates gathered around him and funny to say holding a pair of handcuffs he then ordered Smart to scrape the deck Smart told him that he would not do it in his watch below after repeating this order several times he told him to sweep it Smart replied he would not sweep it in his watch below he next talked about putting him in irons Smart told him to do it as soon as he pleased but it seems he did not please to do for he ordered him forward charged him not to be seen again aft the foremast and told his officers not to tell Smart to do any thing hence forward

July 3 this day begins with a light breeze S. the watch employed rigging out fly. S. & boom middle and latter part wind came N. E. with a good breeze watch employed in the same got the stay set up about 4 coopers unwell all day
July 4 this day begins with a fresh breeze from N. W. with some rain the watch employed occasionally coopers unwell & off duty middle and latter part wind came favorable but a heavy head beat sea however carried double reefed topsails and courses nothing more worth remark

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- thurs this day begins and ends with a good breeze from ^{Round Home} N.W. and
July 5 the watch doing little or nothing cooper unwell &
off duty after 6 P.M. wind light & variable Lat. about
36° it has been remarked ^{by} several that the Master and
his mates were never before seen to wear such smiling
countenances as they have done to day no more obs.
- fri this day begins with a gentle breeze from about S.W. the
July 6 watch employed in fitting new royal rigging cooper off
duty middle and latter part wind came N.N.W. but
very light fine weather all day and the spinnaker
reef going nothing more worth remark.
- sat this day begins and ends with a good breeze from about
July 7 N.W. the watch employed in fitting the royal rigging
spinnaker reef going cooper off duty fine weather all
day Lat. Observed 35° 19' no more obs.
- sun this day begins and ends with a moderate breeze from N.W.
July 8 the watch doing little or nothing except to start a cask
of water fine weather all day Latitude 31° 40' no obs. but
it may be well to mention that the Master and his mates
have had their heads together a great part of the time
since the Boatsteward was put off duty apparently in close
conversation but so low as not to be understood by any
one forward. cooper off duty.
- mon this day begins and ends with a light breeze from N.W.
July 9 the ~~watch~~ all hands employed in securing up royal
masts got them fided by 12 got the rigging set up and
sails set by 4 good weather all day cooper off duty no obs.
- tues this day begins and ends with light and variable winds
July 10 from N.W. the watch employed in drawing yarns making
spinnaker &c. cooper assisting in the same. A.M. boarded
a Brig belonging to Genoa 16 days from Biscaya S.W.
with hides made a very short stay and got 2 or 3 fms.
of lat

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latter part looks like a storm so ends this day.
Wednesday this day begins and ends with a good breeze from about
July 11 N. N. E. the watch employed in sending yarns stopping
nail holes in the deck & c. cooper off duty between 4 & 8.
I called all hands to tack ship carried away the fore top
sail and mizen top gallant sheets Lat. $30^{\circ}15'$ no obs.

Thursday this day begins and ends with a gentle breeze from N. E. the
July 12 watch employed as before with the addition ofhipping up
an old sail cooper off duty. larboard ^{stays} aboard all day
ship heading off E. by S. nothing more worth remark.

Friday this day begins and ends with a good breeze from N. E.
July 13 the watch employed as before (putting yarns & c.) cooper
off duty nothing more worth remark only stood on the
larboard tack all day latitude observed $30^{\circ}51'$ S.

Saturday this day begins and ends with a light breeze from
July 14 N. E. the watch employed setting up to mast back
stays & c. spungarn reel going a man by called
Bone has seized to the Mizen rigging all day for
something that passed between him and the mate
last night cooper off duty. I had forgotten
to say that the hold was wet this morning.

Sunday this day begins and ends with a light breeze in our
July 15 favor abast the beam & c. and good weather
ships course N. set studding sails below & aloft cooper
off duty latitude observed $29^{\circ}55'$ so ends this day

Monday this day begins and ends with a pleasant breeze from
July 16 about S. all hands employed at work on the rigging
serving with spungarn taking off and putting on
leathers & c. cooper off duty latitude $28^{\circ}24'$ no obs.

Tuesday this day begins and ends with a pleasant breeze from
July 17 about S. all hands at work on the rigging masting
spungarn & c. P. M. cooper put deck tight into the
forecastle

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Latitude by observation $27^{\circ} 07' S.$ no obs.

wedens this day begins with a light breeze about S. all hands
July 18 as before cooper begun to work on the deck but was so
weak as to be obliged to quit it again spoke an English
brig & M^{rs}. from London bound to Cape of Good Hope
of whom we got some coal latter part a good breeze
from about E. no obs.

thurs this day begins and ends with a good breeze from E.
July 19 one watch below the rest at work on the rigging
about 9 A.M. raised a large ship which passed us
about 12 on the starboard beam about 5 miles off
apparently close haul on the wind I should judge
the Latitude to be about $25^{\circ} 50'$ no obs.

fri this day begins and ends with a fresh breeze Eastward.
July 20 the watch employed making burst-gaskets cooper
off duty this morning before we was aware of it we
run close alongside of a ship and had just time
enough to put the helm up and clear her it was
said by those on deck that they were so near as to see
the man at the wheel distinctly one of our men hailed
him but received no answer Lat. $20^{\circ} 46' S.$ no obs.

sats this day begins and ends with a good breeze Eastward.
July 21 wet the hold and got breakfast the watch employed
in putting a brace pendant strap on the main
yard cooper off duty nothing more worth remark

sun this day begins and ends with a good Eastward. expecting
July 22 a little shower of rain between 6 & 8 Ev. and wind
very light for a short time cooper off duty about 12
started a cask of water latitude about $15^{\circ} 50'$

mon this day begins and ends with a good breeze Eastward. all
July 23 hands employed turning in rigging Larimo & cooper
off duty ships course N.N.E. Latitude $15^{\circ} 45'$ no obs.

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July 24 this day begins and ends with a good breeze from about S. E. all hands employed in turning in rigging taring & cooper making scrapers of an old saw the scraper motogony in the cabin steered N. N. E. to keep clear of the land Latitude $10^{\circ} 53' S.$

July 25 this day begins with a good breeze and refreshing showers of rain middle part good weather latter part saw land off the lee bow took in studding sails and braced sharp up and it proving squally at 8 reefed the topsails & furled the Gibb cooper off duty Latitude observed $8^{\circ} 09' S.$ no obs.

July 26 this day begins with squally weather the watch employed in making gaskets & mending flying Gibb cooper off duty middle a steady breeze saw two sail one standing the other Eastward. latter part squally with some rain P.M. steered N. Latitude about $6^{\circ} S.$

July 27 this day begins and ends with squally weather and heavy showers of rain the watch employed in ship's duty washing their clothes & cooper off duty after 4 P.M. broke out in the fore hatch for provisions Latitude not observed so ends this day.

July 28 this day begins and ends with a pleasant breeze from S. E. all hands employed at work on the rigging cooper off duty fine weather all day Lat. $2^{\circ} 20' S.$

July 29 this day begins and ends with a pleasant breeze from Eastward. not much doing except to get out some meat after 4 P.M. Latitude observed observed by several I made it $6^{\circ} 14' S.$ nothing more worth remark

July 30 this day begins and ends with a good breeze from Eastward. all hands employed in rattling down rigging with a hammer & diavel cooper scraping in the cabin some light showers of rain no obs.

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tues ^{Board Home} this day begins and ends with a good breeze as before
July 31 all hands employed at work on the rigging cooper at
work in the cabin scraping Capt. & steward the sun
Lat. not observed no obs.

wednes this day begins and ends with a light breeze from
Aug 1 Eastward. all hands employed at work on the
rigging cooper as before at work in the cabin
finished taring at 6 P.M. latitude $5^{\circ}19'$

thurs this day begins with a light breeze from S. E. all
Aug 2 hands employed scraping ship outside cooper filling
holes making pretty S. E. middle and latter part
wind came about S. cooper sand papering the
transom S. E. Lat observed $6^{\circ}15'$ no obs.

fri this day begins with a light breeze from S. E.
Aug 3 the watch before breakfast employed scraping
the deck got breakfast then all hands painting
spars S. E. cooper painting the cabin middle &
latter part calm one watch below Lat $8^{\circ}0'$

sat this day begins with a calm the watch employed
Aug 4 in varnishing the waist S. E. cooper painting the
cabin making a bulls eye S. E. latter part. A light
breeze from about S. E. after 6 P.M. wet the deck

sun this day begins with a light breeze from S. E.
Aug 5 middle the same latter part wind light and
variable accompanied with rain Lat $8^{\circ}34'$

mon this day begins with a good breeze from S. E. by E.
Aug 6 all hands employed in painting spars cooper painting
the cabin middle and latter part wind light
from about E. finished the spars about 4 P.M.
Lat. I think not observed no obs.

tues this day begins with a light breeze from about
Aug 7 N. E. all hands employed in painting outside

Ship William Thompson D. 1838

The ship's cooper ^{Bonny's Home} the same finished about 2 P.M. latter part squally with some rain one watch below the rest mixed paint for the inside and then quit no obs.

Wednes this day begins and ends with a stiff breeze N.E. Aug 8 the watch employed moving spars from amid ships working down water cask &c. cooper a painting in the cabin of till perhaps middle P.M. then assisted on deck to pack shales move the cooke's galley aft &c. Lat. $11^{\circ}55'N$.

Thurs this day begins and ends with a fresh breeze from Aug 9 N.E. the watch employed in wetting hold getting out water and provisions scraping and varnishing spars making bent gaskets &c. &c. cooper varnishing in the cabin Lat. $13^{\circ}51'$

Fri this day begins with a stiff breeze from N.E. the Aug 10 watch employed in sundries making sperryarn gaskets &c. &c. this morning blowed away the main royal cooper putting turnings on the doors fixing a lid on the storage scuttle &c. latter part looks squally Lat. $15^{\circ}54'$ nothing more worth remark

Sat this day begins and ends with a good breeze from Aug 11 about N.E. the watch employed in painting old spars varnishing them &c. cooper doing sundry jobs carpentering the watch bent Main and Mizzen Royal Lat. about $17^{\circ}48'$ no obs

Sun this day begins and ends with a good breeze from Aug 12 about N.E. after 4 P.M. the watch employ a in dashing spars cooper & the mate made hooks to place a topmast on I had forgotten to say that we washed the round house this morning with canvas Lat. $19^{\circ}55'$ no more obs. Lon. about 53°

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^{Bound Home}
mon this day begins and ends with a good breeze as
Aug 13 before the watch employed in wetting hold
and sundry other Jobs cooper painting in the
cabin Lat $21^{\circ}41'$

~~tues~~ this day begins and ends with a good breeze
Aug 14 from about N. E. the watch employed in
sundries cooper painting in different places

Lat observed $23^{\circ}44'$ nothing more remarkable
wedens this day begins and ends with a moderate breeze
Aug 15 from about N. E. and E. N. E. all hands
employed in bundling bone got it bundled &
stowed away about sunset cooper all day at
work on the fore pipe rail Lat $25^{\circ}27'$ in ob.

thurs this day begins with a light breeze from N. E.
Aug 16 all hands employed in painting cooper the
same in middle cabin latter part a light breeze
from N. W. Lat. not mentioned no obs.

frid this day begins and ends with a pleasant breeze
Aug 17 from about N. N. E. the watch employed in
sundries cooper the same after sunset blows a
good breeze nothing more worth remarking no obs.

sat this day begins and ends with a pleasant breeze from
Aug 18 about N. N. E. the watch employed in saw-
ing coopers and carpenters tools &c cooper the same

Lat $26^{\circ}59'$ by polar star & P. M. $28^{\circ}34'$ in ob.
sun this day begins and ends with a light breeze from
Aug 19 about N. E. the watch employed in doing nothing
cooper the same after 4 hove the wheel rope

Lat at 8 P. M. by polar star $28^{\circ}04'$
mon this day begins and ends with a light breeze
Aug 20 and variable mostly in our favor there has
been a large ship in sight all day

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which we took to be a French man of war steering about N. by E. the watch has been employed in sundry jobs too numerous to here detail and mention* cooper, heading up tools in a small cask, no obs.

Tues this day begins with light and variable winds Aug 21 and very warm the watch employed in sundry jobs cooper at work at Blacksmithing mending topsail sheets &c. middle much the the same latter part thunder squalls and rain with sudden shifts of wind no obs.

wednes this day begins with squally weather and rain Aug 22 wind from all directions the watch employed in pulling & hauling cooper the same middle and latter part wind from all directions and very light but no rain the watch stripping blocks Lat. by solar star & P.M. $29^{\circ}58'$ S. no obs.

Thurs this day begins with light and variable winds Aug 23 the watch employed in sundries wetting hold strapping blocks &c. cooper painting the little ship middle part a good breeze from E. latter part continues to blow but looks like rain Lat observed $30^{\circ}30'$ N. no obs.

Fri this day begins and ends with a pleasant breeze Aug 24 in our favor the watch employed in strapping blocks cooper varnishing the waist and sawing up an old boat Lat by the sun $32^{\circ}45'$ and by solar star & P.M. $32^{\circ}57'$ ship going at the rate of about 5 knots and by signal at 12 was taken by John Andrews $33^{\circ}02'$ no obs.

* there is one thing worth mention (scrapping & varnishing standing sail booms aloft)

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Round Home

Sat. this day begins with a pleasant breeze about S. Aug 25. The watch employed in little or nothing except at work on the little ship mending the fore topgallant tie &c. latter part breezes on with heavy squalls of rain at 8 double reefed the topsails wind continues S.W. Lat. observed $54^{\circ} 26'$ no obs.

Sun. this day begins with a heavy breeze from N.E. W. Aug 26 middle carts about W. latter part carts round about N.E. events of the day forgotten no obs.

Mon. this day begins with a light breeze from about Aug 27 N.E. W. the watch employed in sundries scraping old craft &c. cooper putting a new thought into a boat making a snatch block to haul the deepsea line through saw a sail to windward about 9 A.M. we hauled about in hopes he would run down but he would not latter part wind carts about W. S. W. but very light saw plenty of sperm whales all round the ship Lat $56^{\circ} 29'$

Tues. this day begins with a fresh breeze from S.W. Aug 28 about sunrise carried away the main topsail tie and crossjack truss got them down and coopers mended them before breakfast middle moderates latter part carts N.W. and falls calm Lat observed $58^{\circ} 28'$ no obs.

Wednes. this day begins and ends with a pleasant breeze Aug 29 from E. N. E. the watch employed in sundries coopers a marring the foot of the fore topsail on to the footrope at 12 hauled about the head yards sounded and found about 80 fathoms ^{Lat $59^{\circ} 42'$} (Continued) about 2 P.M. saw a pilot boat to leeward run off and found a Jersey boat the pilot got his boat out came alongside and

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Bound Home
asked if we were bound to New York being answered
in the negative he said he could take us to Bedford
upon a pinch but did not like to go in in the night
time but after the Capt. had asked him the course
and distance as to Montauk light besides some other
questions at the same time having forward the main
yard while the pilot was towing alongside he the
pilot let go and that without his being asked to
come aboard. the wind then being to Eastward so that
we could say E. N. E. so ends this day.

Aug 30
this day begins with a light breeze from about
S. S. W. all hands employed in clearing away bending
cables &c. middle and latter part part breezes on
spoke a S. Y. pilot boat steered N. E. and raised
Block Island about 1 P.M. kept on and soon
commenced firing 5 P.M. rain till 6 when thick
thunder squall came on and shut the horizon
completely in we stopped too took in topgallant
sails hauled up the courses & lay the main yard
aback till 8 then kept off it being fine weather
steering N. E. by E. Lat by solar stat 41° 00' at 8

Aug 31
this day begins with a good breeze from about N. W.
at 11 night took a pilot and then made the best
of our way in the wind being something ahead middle
wind very light then a pleasant breeze from N. W.
got in and let go are anchored about 2 P.M. where
put an end to the voyage thank fortune and
wished the voyage to be just the way it was

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Tues. This day begins and ends with a moderate breeze
Jan 1 from about E. N. E. A. M. clear generally
latter part clouds over and looks like a storm
not at work to day but waiting for hoops
nothing more worth remark

wednes This day begins and ends with a light breeze
Jan 2 from East. and cloudy weather. I left
here about 11 A. M. for Swanton
arrived at Joseph Durfee's on the back
road about 3 o'clock P. M. staid there
all night so ends this day

Thurs This day begins with almost calm but
Jan 3 pleasant weather left Durfee's about 10
and from thence Eschsch arrived at
fall River about half past one middle a
light breeze E. S. E. took the stage and
arrived here at 8 o'clock P. M. so ends this

Fri This day begins and ends with a light breeze
Jan 4 S. E. cloudy for the most part with
light squalls of snow but not very cold
so ends this day

Sat This day begins with winds about N. E. by
Jan 5 S. and cloudy middle fair latter part
cloudy with signs of a storm so ends this day
sun begins and ends with wind S. S. E. some

Jan 6 cloudy all day but not cold there was a light
flurry of snow last night so ends this day

Mon. This day begins with calm foggy weather middle

Jan 7 much the same latter part a light breeze
about 1 P. M. some rain P. M. so ends this day

Tues. This day begins with a light E. squall and
Jan 8 rain from S. W. middle and latter

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part a good breeze same way and clear weather. Little family moved down stairs to day so ends this day

Monday this day begins and ends with calm and fine weather. nothing more worth remark

Tues this day begins with a light breeze from N. E. and thick fog middle and latter part good weather with a good breeze from

the same way Robert Liscum departed this life to day about 12 o'clock after a short illness nothing more worth remark. ~~There is a mistake here in the day of the week as also in the day of the month it should have been Thursday~~

Wed this day begins with calm and warm weather middle and latter part a gentle breeze from N. E. at night dies away to a calm

clouds over and looks like a storm Sat this day begins and ends with a good breeze from S. W. and cloudy weather but no rain about 4 P.M. changes to N. E. W. and flows a gale

Sun this day begins and ends with a light breeze from N. E. and moderate weather at night bids fair for good weather tomorrow

Mon this day begins with light breeze from N. E. and good weather middle and latter part wind carries about S. E. by S. clouds over and looks like a storm so ends this day

Tues this day begins with a good breeze from N. E. and cold weather middle the same latter part dies away calm but continues cold so ends this day

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San Diego

wednes this day begins with a good breeze from
Jan 16 S. E. and fine weather middle much the
same latter part dies away calm and
quite pleasant so ends this day

Thurs this day begins and with a light breeze
Jan 17 from S. E. and fine weather after sun
set wind dies away and looks like a
storm thus ends this day

Fri this day begins with a light breeze from S. E. and
Jan 18 cloudy middle the same latter part a little
and warm for this season thus ends this day

Sat this day begins with a light breeze from W. N. W.
Jan 19 and fine weather middle the same latter
part Wind shifts N. W. flows fresh and
grows cold so ends this day

Sun this day begins with wind N. W. and cold but
Jan 20 clear middle and latter part wind shifts
W. S. W. and moderates generally clear all day
thus ends this day

Mon this day begins with a light breeze from W. N. W.
Jan 21 latter part wind shifts S. by E. with cloudy
weather and light squalls of snow day
generally cloudy

Tues this day begins with wind N. W. and cool
Jan 22 shifts W. S. W. and cloudy latter part shifts
about W. by S. after 6 P. M. begins to snow
thus ends this day

wednes this day begins with a light breeze N. W. and
Jan 23 snow falling middle fine and pleasant latter
part wind flows heavy and snows after 6
clears off very cold with wind same way
so ends this day

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Nov Bedford

Jan 24 This day begins and ends with a light breeze from N.W. and very cold snow up on a level about 1 foot inches the river is frozen hard enough to bear a man so ends this day

Jan 25 This day begins and ends with a light breeze from N.W. and moderate weather at night clouds over and looks like a storm so ends this day

Jan 26 This day begins with a good breeze from N.E. & cloudy middle some rain latter part flows heavy from the same way with rain snow all gone this ends this day

Jan 27 This day begins and ends with a good breeze from N.W. and good weather after 6 P.M. wind changes suddenly to about N. and grows cool and cloudy so ends this day

Jan 28 This day begins with a good breeze from N.W. and very cold middle much the same latter part clears about N. clouds over and at 5 P.M. begins to snow with wind blowing fresh and pretty cool so ends this day (I have just commenced housekeeping to day)

Jan 29 This day begins with a light breeze from N.W. and pretty cool middle and latter part wind dies and becomes quite moderate I have not been at work to day but have been running hither and yon this ends this day

Jan 30 This day begins with a calm and pleasant weather middle some snow with a light breeze from N.W. latter part cloudy after 7 P.M. clears off pleasant got to work again this morning

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New Bedford

- thurs this day begins and ends with a light breeze
Jan 31 from N.W. and fine weather after 7 P.M.
clouds over and looks like a storm so ends this day
- fri this day begins and ends with a light breeze
feb 1 from N.W. and cloudy for the most part
after 5 P.M. begins to snow at 9 about 3
inches on the ground snow still falling
so ends this day
- sat this day begins and ends with a light breeze
feb 2 from N.W. and cloudy for the most part
and cool but no storm so ends this day
- sun this day begins and ends with a fresh breeze from
feb 3 N.W. and good weather but cool my wife
Myself scouring traps most of the day so ends this day
- mon this day begins with a light breeze from N.W. and
feb 4 cloudy middle and latter part a good breeze
about N and some clouds so ends this day
- tues this day begins and ends with a good breeze from
feb 5 N.W. and very cool I had business down
street this P.M. so ends this day
- wedens this day begins and ends with a good breeze from
feb 6 N.W. and very cold P.M. some clouds
thus ends this day
- thurs this day begins with calm & cold weather middle and
feb 7 latter part a fresh breeze from N.W. and
cloudy fire was kind this eve about 7 but was
very soon followed by the cry of all out but there
was a fire broke out Tuesday about 4 A.M. which
consumed a coopers shop, Pardon Grays stable beside
doing some considerable other damages so ends this day
- fri this day begins and ends with a good breeze from
feb 8 N.W. and mostly fine weather I went

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^{Sw. B. Ford}
down street this P.M. to get an eye new steeled
thus ends this day

sat this day begins with rain and snow the wind
Feb 9 about N. middle much the same latter
part seems to clear up and grows cold at 7
P.M. snows a little wind N.E. and cool. It
have been unwell to day and not at work
so ends this day

sun this day begins and ends with cloudy weather and
Feb 10 wind from different directions but mostly N.W.
had a plum pudding for dinner a short time
after it was put into the fire it bursted out of
the bag. I then took it out put it into
another saying I would make it pudding
on the d. - it was a Rarr so ends this day

mon this day begins and ends with a good breeze
Feb 11 from N.W. and clouds with signs of snow
and blustering ends with great signs of
a storm

tues this day begins with cloudy weather middle
Feb 12 and latter part pleasant with a light breeze
from S.W. been turning out cast grinding
eye P.C. so ends this day

wednes this day begins with calm and fine weather middle
Feb 13 and latter part a good breeze from S.W. and
have been up the river acting on the ice most
of the day after sunset wind dies clouds over
and looks like a storm so ends this day

thurs this day begins and ends with wind N.E.
Feb 14 and coarse fog received a letter from John R.
Davis Cambridgeport all well so ends this day
fri this day begins and ends with a light breeze

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New Bedford

from S.W. and good weather my wife this morning was somewhat out of health but on taking some physic she finds herself quite well this evening so ends this day

sat This day begins with a light breeze from S.W. and Feb 16 cloudy middle and latter part good weather with a gentle breeze same way so ends this day

sun This day begins and ends with a good breeze from N.E. and Feb 17 coarse fog at dusk weather after 7 P.M. sets in to snow thus ends this day

mon This day begins with a good breeze N.E. with Feb 18 snow and rain middle much the same latter part wind ceases N. ceases to storm & becomes cooler so ends this day

tues This day begins with a good breeze N.W. and Feb 19 fine weather middle much the same latter part wind dies to a calm I understand that Charles Baber arrived here to day last from New York so ends this day

wednes This day begins and ends with a light breeze S.W. Feb 20 and fine weather the ice is nearly all gone out of the river so ends this day

thurs This day begins and ends with a light breeze Feb 21 S.W. and good weather the ships Columbian of Fairhaven and Corinthian of this port arrived to day and one more name unknown

fri This day begins and ends with a gentle breeze Feb 22 and some cloudy with signs of rain it is said that the Corinthian brought in 2800 of sperm oil so ends this day

sat This day begins with a light breeze S.E. with a thick Feb 23 fog and some rain middle wind ceases N.W.

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and clouds breaks away latter part wind came
N. and from that N.E. and coarse fog & rain
some rain so ends this day

Mon this day begins with a light breeze N.W. cloudy weather
Feb 24 of the day middle and latter part a light breeze from
S.W. and moderate so ends this day

Mon this day begins with wind S.E. and rain middle
Feb 25 calm latter part a pleasant breeze from about
N. and clouds breaks away so ends this day

Tues this day begins with calm and clear weather middle a light
Feb 26 breeze S.E. latter part a fresh breeze from E. and looks
like rain so ends this day

Wednes this day begins with a light breeze N.W. and
Feb 27 cloudy weather middle and latter part wind
came S.W. and looks like a storm although there
was to appearance a great deal of water fell last
night thus ends this day

Thurs this day begins a calm & heavy fog middle and latter part
Feb 28 a pleasant breeze from S.E. fog clears off but remains
cloudy so ends this day

Fri this day begins with a light breeze N.W. and good
March 1 weather middle and latter part a fresh breeze
W. there was about two inches of snow on the ground
this morning which was all gone before ten at night
wind dies so ends this day

Sat this day begins and ends with a strong breeze from
March 2 S.W. and good weather at night wind goes
down so ends this day

Sun this day begins with wind S.E. and snow falling
March 3 fast middle the same latter part wind came N.W.
and clears off cold Martin (Blanchard) and Tvent
a clearing S.W. so ends this day

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Bakersford

mon This day begins with a light breeze from S. W. and
March 4 cold middle much the same latter part a
light breeze N. E. W. after sunset wind dies and
becomes cool again so ends this day

tues This day begins with a light breeze from W. and
March 5 moderate middle and latter part a pleasant
breeze S. W. and good weather so ends this day

wedns This day begins and ends with a good breeze from
March 6 and fine weather we have had a letter from

M^{rs} Mearns just reporting that she would be
a home lost of this month so ends this day

thurs This day begins and ends with a fresh breeze from W.
March 7 and good weather I have been sick to day
and not at work so ends this day

fri This day begins with a light breeze from S. E. and
March 8 cloudy middle thick fog latter part wind
increases with rain at night rains heavy and
bids fair to do so all night I have not been
at work to day

sat This day begins with a fresh breeze N. E. and cloudy
March 9 though not cold middle fine latter part with
light rain so ends this day

sun This day begins and ends with a fresh breeze from
March 10 about N. E. W. though not cold the boy
that was said to have been staked a few days since
by spooner Balcock was buried to day funeral
at M^{rs} Morquidges church so ends this day

mon This day begins and ends with a good breeze from N. E.
March 11 and pretty cool but generally clear so ends this day

tues This day begins with a good breeze from N. E. W.
March 12 cool middle and latter part wind eases about
1. after sunset dies away to a calm so ends this day

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Wednes this day begins with a fine breeze S.E. and good weather
March 13 middle and latter part wind shifts S.E. with a good
breeze so ends this day

Thurs this day begins with wind S.W. and dark cloudy weather
March 14 towards the middle some rain latter part wind
shifts N.W. and clears off I went a clearing a little
while after dinner so ends this day

Fri this day begins with a light breeze S.W. middle and
March 15 latter part a good breeze S.W. I got a few clams
and Sarah has been a washing so ends this day

Sat this day begins with a calm middle and latter part a
March 16 fresh breeze from S.W. and good weather after
sunset dies away to nearly a calm so ends this day

Sun this day begins with a calm about 8 A.M. a pleasant
March 17 breeze from S.W. middle calm latter part a
good breeze Easter weather through the day very fine
at night looks like a storm so ends this day

Mon this day begins with calm weather and thick fog
March 18 middle and latter part a fine breeze S.E. at
night looks like rain so ends this day

Tues this day begins with a good breeze about N. and thick
March 19 fog middle and latter part fog clears off but
remains cloudy P.M. wind shifts N.E. S.E.
and blows heavy cloudy all day but no rain
I understood that the ship Messenger came in
yesterday without a disaster so ends this day

Wednes this day begins with a fresh breeze N.E. middle much
March 20 the same latter part wind shifts nearly E. after sunset
dies away cloudy all day and cool but no rain

Thurs this day begins with wind N.E. middle and latter
March 21 part wind gradually shifts to E.S.E. and sets in to
rain cloudy all day the sun has not been seen these
three days so ends this day

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fri This day begins with wind about N. and cloudy at
March 22 about 10 A.M. the sun made his appearance
latter part wind shifts N.W. but more or less cloudy
all day at 7 P.M. my wife and I went to hear a
man give an exhortation, ~~who~~ who is recently from the State
Prison by the name of Shalway & must own he
talked with some sense and reason so ends this day

sat This day begins with a light breeze from S. W. &
March 23 good weather middle and latter part a pleasant
breeze S.E. and some cloudy after sunset wind
dies away to a calm so ends this day

sun This day begins and ends with a pleasant breeze from
March 24 N.W. and fine weather cool at work on a
Boat sail most of the day Eve. my wife and
I went to William Miers so ends this day

mon This day begins with cloudy and cool weather
March 25 wind N.W. towards the middle wind shifts
E. of N. with some snow latter part fine
weather with a good breeze N.E. so ends this day

tues This day begins and ends with good weather A.M.
March 26 wind N.W. P.M. wind S.W. so ends this day

wednes This day begins with a light breeze from S.W. and
March 27 good weather middle much the same latter part
a fresh breeze same way and good weather
so ends this day

thurs This day begins with a calm and fine weather middle
March 28 and latter part a fresh breeze from S.E. at
night looks like a storm Phoe Brownell and her
sister Lydia came off this afternoon so ends this day

fri This day begins with a light air from East and
March 29 thick fog middle and latter part a pleasant
breeze S.E. and good weather Phoe & her
went away this A.M. so ends this day

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sat this day begins with a light breeze about N.
March 30 and some rain middle and latter part a fresh
breeze N. W. towards night pretty cool Mrs
Eliza McIntosh arrived here to day safe and
sound after an absence of some ten or twelve
months so ends this day

sun this day begins with a light breeze N. N. W.
March 31 middle and latter part gradually swings
round to S. E. good weather all day Per. Mr
Jackson baptized some 10 or 12 persons at
half past 9 this morning

mon this day begins with a calm and fine weather
April 1 middle and latter part a gentle breeze S. E.
at night looks some like a storm so ends this day

tues this day begins with a light breeze from N. N. E.
Wed 2 middle and latter part a heavy breeze from the
same way at night moderates I understand that
Mrs McIntosh is sick with a severe pain in her
side also that three men were taken prisoners
to day at a house known by the name of the
Horse Shoe at the north end of this Village
for making counterfeit money where a considera
quantity of spurious coin was found together with
their press dies &c. so ends this day

wednes this day begins with a good breeze S. E. and cloudy
Thurs middle much the same latter part somewhat
clears off so ends this day

Thurs this day begins with calm middle a gentle breeze S. E.
April 4 latter part wind shifts S. W. and dies away with
a thick fog so ends this day

Fri this day begins with a light breeze S. W. and thick
April 5 fog middle fine weather latter part wind shifts

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about 6. and at sunset a thick fog sets in with a gentle breeze so ends this day

sat. This day begins with calm and cloudy weather middle and April 5 latter part a good breeze from S.W. and good weather after sunset clouds up so ends this day

sun. This day begins with a fresh breeze from S.W. and April 7 cloudy middle and latter part fine weather and pretty warm the ships Concord & Roman arrived the latter bringing upwards of 5000 of sperm if correctly reported so ends this day

mon. This day begins and ends with a good breeze S.W. April 8 and fine weather there was a heavy fire broke out this afternoon in about S.W. by S. direction some 10 or 12 miles distant for a considerable time the sun was darkened almost as if by a cloud after sunset the wind carried about N. which of course carried the smoke some distance to the N. it took off in solid columns it is now 9 P.M. and is still burning (to appearance) as fast as ever so ends this day

tues. This day begins with a good breeze from S.W. and April 9 pretty cool middle night the same latter part a good breeze from S.W. and good weather thus ends this day

wednes. This day begins with a fresh breeze from S.W. and middle April 10 about the same latter part moderates at night some cloudy so ends this day

thurs. This day begins and ends with a good breeze from April 11 S.W. and some coarse fog though generally good weather thus ends this day

fri. This day begins with a light breeze from S.W. and April 12 middle and latter part wind shifts round N. and increases evening at night wind blows fresh so ends this day

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sat this day begins with a fresh breeze from S.E. by E. and
April 13 heavy rain middle about the same latter part ceases to
rain but blows heavy and very cool for the season
so ends this day

sun this day begins with a heavy wind about N.E. & accomps
April 14 arrived with rain and signs of snow on the ground
middle continues to rain hard latter part rain very
fine at night no prospect of better weather though
very cool for the season so ends this day

mon this day begins with a fresh breeze from N.E. & E. and
April 15 raining middle the same latter part wind ceases
about 5 P.M. and continues to rain this P.M.
news came from Westport that Clarissa Myers was
lying on the point of death the lamp went out this
eve. at 7 o'clock and 15 minutes in a manner which
we cannot account for so ends this day

tues this day begins with a fresh breeze from S.W. and
April 16 good weather middle much the same latter part
a light breeze W.S.W. it is said that some persons
were drowned this forenoon somewhere between
the Bridge & Palmers Island by the upsetting
of a boat the particulars of which I have not
heard so ends this day

wednes this day begins with a fresh breeze S.E. about 10 sets in
April 17 to rain latter part a thick snow storm and a heavy
breeze of wind so ends this day with wind S.W. and

thurs this day begins with wind S.W. and rain middle &
April 18 latter part good weather with a fine breeze same
way it is rumored that the Fairhaven Ladies in
consequence of their petition to our legislature desiring
them to do away a law prohibiting Blacks & Whites
intermarrying have in view of the grant received a
present

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present from somewhere which we trust will
answer very purpose viz. a box of India rubber.
Fishes so ends this day

fri This day begins and ends with a good breeze from
April 19 about S.W. and fine weather it is said that this after
noon a man by the name of Edwards fell into a
ships hold which caused almost instant death
so ends this day

sat This day begins with a calm and good weather middle
April 20 a good breeze from N.W. latter part a good breeze
from almost every point of the compass but finally
settles at E. with a good breeze so ends this day

sun This day begins with a pleasant breeze (S.W.) middle
April 21 and latter part a good breeze S.W. the ship returns
Thompson sailed to day so ends this day

mon This day begins with a pleasant breeze (S.W.) and fine
April 22 weather middle and latter part a good breeze from
about S.W. so ends this day

tues This day begins and ends with a pleasant breeze
April 23 from S.W. and fine weather after supper went
a sailing got home a little before 9 quite unwell
so ends this day

wednes This day begins and ends with a good breeze S.W. and
April 24 fine weather. I am sick and not at work James

Bestle was married Sunday eve. last to H. de la
P. Flathaway so ends this day

thurs This day begins and ends with a good breeze S.W. and good
April 25 weather I have not been at work to day on account
of ill health so ends this day

fri This day begins with a good breeze (S.W.) and cloudy
April 26 middle wind about S.W. and good weather latter
part wind N.E. and very fine we had some

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- rain yesterday morning so ends this day
Sat. this day begins with a pleasant breeze from W. and
Wed 27 fine weather middle and latter part a good
breeze S.W. and quite warm so ends this day
Sun. this day begins with a calm and cloudy weather middle
Wed 28 a pleasant breeze from S.E. latter part a good
breeze S.E. and looks like a storm
Mon. this day begins with a good breeze S.E. and cloudy
Wed 29 weather middle and latter part much the same
at night still looks like rain so ends this day
Tues. this day begins with a light breeze S.W. and coarse
Wed 30 fog middle good weather latter part calm and cloudy
so ends this day
Wednes. this day begins and ends with calm weather and
Wed 31 coarse fog with some rain James Ballou's house
was recently sold for the small sum 1550 dollars
so ends this day
Thurs. this day begins with a calm and heavy showers of
May 2 rain middle good weather latter part a good breeze
S.W. but some fog so ends this day
Fri. this day begins with a light breeze S.W. with thunder
May 3 & heavy showers of rain middle and latter part
wind gradually shifts S.W. and fine weather
so ends this day
Sat. this day begins with a strong breeze from S.W. and
May 4 pretty cool middle and latter part more moderate
with the wind same way so ends this day
Sun. this day begins with a calm middle and latter part
May 5 a strong breeze from about S.S.W. cooler wind
a fishing got home 4 P.M. with a good fare
of fish so ends this day
Mon. this day begins with wind W.S.W. and cool weather
May 6

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middle and latter part a fresh breeze from S.W. but cool so ends this day

Thurs this day begins with a light breeze from N.E. and cool
May 6 middle and latter part gradually swings round to W. the sun and settles at S.W. though still cool and chilly so ends this day

wednes this day begins with a heavy frost and light breeze
May 8 S.W. middle and latter part a good breeze S. and cloudy at night looks like a storm and sets a little so ends this day

Thurs this day begins and ends with light and sudden
May 9 changes of wind but finally settles at about S. weather generally fine through the day

Fri this day begins and ends with light and variable wind
May 10 and good weather Mother aunt Sophia and the children spent the afternoon and staid till quarter to 9 P.M. so ends this day

Sat this day begins with a good breeze from N.E. and
May 11 good weather middle and latter part gradually swings round to about S. ends pleasant

Sun this day begins with a light breeze from N. and
May 12 good weather middle and latter part a good breeze S.W. so ends this day

Mon this day begins and ends with a good breeze from
May 13 S.W. latter part cloudy at night looks like a storm
Fire was cried about 2 P.M. which proved to be on the roof of Holmes old church now known by the name of concert Hall but was soon extinguished so ends this day

Tues this day begins with wind S.W. accompanied with heavy
May 14 showers of rain middle the same latter part wind shifts E. and ceases to rain but remains cloudy so ends this day

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C. R. Bedford

Wednes this day begins with a calm middle and latter
May 15 part a fine breeze Sthd. we have had a full
gang of visitors the afternoon viz. Mrs. Little
and three Daughters went away about 8 P.M.
so ends this day

Thurs this day begins with a light breeze S. E. and
May 16 good weather middle and latter part a light
breeze Sthd. at night looks like a storm

Fri this day begins with calm and good weather middle
May 17 and latter part light & variable winds from
N.W. to S. E. and some cloudy so ends this day

Sat this day begins with light & variable winds cloudy
May 18 and some rain middle and latter part a light
breeze about S.W. and good weather so ends this day

Sun this day begins with a pleasant breeze from Sthd.
May 19 and good weather middle and latter part a good
breeze S.W. I started for Sareshon this morning
about 8 so ends this day

Mon
May 20-21-22 and 23 gone to Sareshon during which time
the wind has been mostly Eastward and cool with
some rain

Thurs this day begins and ends with a good breeze about
May 23 C. R. E. come home in the Dawn got here about
11 o'clock at night looks like a storm so ends this day

Fri this day begins with a good breeze S. E. and some rain
May 24 middle much the same but the part wind N. E.
and thick fog so ends this day

Sat this day begins with a light breeze Sthd. and some
May 25 rain middle and latter part a light breeze
Sthd. after 4 set in a thick fog and dies away
calm so ends this day

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sun this day begins with a light breeze S.W. and good
May 26 weather middle and latter part a pleasant breeze S.W.
and good weather so ends this day

mon this day begins with a good breeze from I know
May 27 not where middle and latter part wind dies
comes on thick fog and rain so ends this day

tues this day begins and ends with foggy weather and little
May 28 or no wind but some rain Sarah & Lavinia the
P.M. went some two or three miles after geese
and met with good success only got a little wet
so ends this day

wednes this day begins with little or no wind and thick fog
May 29 middle a good breeze and latter part clears off with
a moderate breeze same way so ends this day

thurs this day begins and ends with a good breeze about N.
May 30 W. in the morning pretty cool but fine weather
all day so ends this day

fri this day begins and ends with a good breeze from about
May 31 S.W. and good weather for the most part though
some rain about 3 P.M. and shortly after clears
off so ends this day I had forgotten to mention that
Sarah thundered up stairs and bruised her shin

sat this day begins with a pleasant breeze S.W. and fine
June 1 weather middle wind changes suddenly S.E. accompanied
with some rain latter part calm S.E. rain ceases
and becomes cool so ends this day

sun this day begins with a good breeze S.E. and cloudy
June 2 middle and latter part variable but clears off and
finally settles at about W. so ends this day

mon this day begins with a pleasant breeze S.W. and good
June 3 weather middle the same latter part wind dies
weather continues good so ends this day

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King's College

June 4 This day begins a pleasant breeze from the N. and very fine middle much the same latter part wind about 8 clouds over and becomes cool so ends this day

June 5 This day begins with a fresh breeze from S. E. and rain middle the same latter part rain ceases wind dies and a thick fog sets in so ends this day

June 6 This day begins with a good breeze from about W. and cloudy weather middle and latter part clears off with wind same way so ends this day

June 7 This day begins with a fresh breeze from S. middle the same and fine weather latter part wind dies and carries S. E. but very light so ends this day

June 8 This day begins and ends with a good breeze from S. and good weather about 4 P.M. three little girls came here from Mr. Pitts with the following message: Viz. Mother wishes to know if it is convenient for her and aunt Sarah Pemberton and some six or eight more to take tea here to night they were answered in the negative and went away so ends this day

June 9 This day begins with a fresh breeze from S. E. and thick fog middle fog clears off latter part wind carries about W. but remains cloudy so ends this day

June 10 This day begins with a fresh breeze from S. E. and a hot sun middle much the same latter part wind dies and becomes cloudy thus ends this day

June 11 This day begins with calm and warm weather middle and latter part squally and wind from various directions but at about 6 o'clock away I went a fishing S. W. so ends this day

June 12 This day begins with a light breeze from S. E. and good weather

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at Bedford

- weather middle and latter part a good breeze
S.W. Sarah and I went to the Circus this eve.
and got home quite frost it so ends this day
Thurs this day begins with a good breeze from S.W. and cloud
June 13 middle much the same latter part wind dies
and a thick fog sets in at 3 P.M. a fresh breeze
(S.W.) and some rain so ends this day
Fri this day begins with a pleasant breeze from S.W. and
June 14 good weather middle and latter part a light breeze
S.W. and good weather so ends this day
Sat this day begins with a calm middle and latter part
June 15 a good breeze from S.W. good weather all day I
went a fishing to Black Hook and met with good
success so ends this day
Sun this day begins with a good breeze S.W. and some rain
June 16 middle and latter part a stiff breeze N.W. and
and good weather but pretty cool for the season
at sunset looks thick in the E. so ends this day
Mon this day begins with a fresh breeze from W. middle the
June 17 same latter part moderates and a thick dry smoke
sets in of a yellowish colour dry weather all day Sarah
and I drank tea at Uncle Williams so ends this day
Tues this day begins with a fresh breeze S.W. and cloudy middle
June 18 the same latter part some rain after sunset rain
heavy wind same way Sarah and I are going
to watch with the corpse of Sarah late wife of And.
Rodman so ends this day
Wednes this day begins with a fresh breeze from N.E. and
June 19 good weather middle the same latter part wind
dies and looks fair for good weather Sarah Rod
man I was buried to day Prayer by Rev. Mr.
Howe so ends this day

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Richmond

thurs this day begins and ends with a good breeze from S.W. and good weather at night clouds over and looks like a storm so ends this day

frid this day begins and ends with a good breeze from S.W. and good weather only a thick fog towards night and wind goes down so ends this day

sat this day begins with light and variable winds and thick fog towards the middle thunders and rain latter part drisley with a light breeze S.W. at night looks some like good weather so ends this day

sun this day begins with light and variable winds and weather middle and latter part a good breeze from S.W. Sarah & I went a sailing so ends this day

mon this day begins with a pleasant breeze from S.W. and fine weather but rather cool middle and latter part cloudy and a light shower of rain wind same way so ends this day

tues this day begins with a light breeze S.W. and cloudy middle and latter part good weather with a pleasant breeze from S.W. so ends this day

wednes this day begins with calm and very warm weather June 26 about 9 A.M. a light breeze S.W. middle and latter part a gentle breeze S.W. and good weather so ends this day

thurs this day begins with a calm and very warm middle June 27 and latter part a light breeze S.W. about 10 middle S.W. clouds over and looks like a storm so ends this day

frid this day begins with a fresh breeze from S.W. and some June 28 rain middle heavy thunder towards night wind came S.W. but continues thick and foggy so ends this day

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sat This day begins with a light breeze from S.W. and
June 29 good weather middle and latter part a gentle breeze
W.S.W. and warm so ends this day

sun This day begins with calm and warm weather middle
June 30 and latter part a pleasant breeze from W.S.W.
and fine weather so ends this day

mon This day begins with a calm and thick fog middle
July 1 and latter part a light breeze S.W. and very
warm so ends this day

tues This day begins with a light breeze from S.E. and
July 2 good weather middle much the same latter part
flows on clouds over and looks like a storm
Sarah came to the shop and carried home a
basket of chips then came again and took some
in her arms so ends this day

wednes This day begins with a good breeze from S.E. and
July 3 heavy showers of rain middle much the same
latter part clears off with a light air S.W.
very warm all day

thurs begins with calm and warm weather a little after
July 4 day-break the bells began to ring and kept it up
till near sunrise the cutter Mc. Lane fired seven
guns at morning noon & night latter part a light
breeze S.W. and some cloudy in the eve. some
hundreds of people assembled on the bridge where
some half dozen Rockets were drove into the
fog which (if it may be allowed to use the ex-
pression) concluded the celebration.

fri This day begins and ends with a pleasant breeze
July 5 S.W. & latter cloudy for the most part the fish
they arrived this morning about about 2 1/2 hours
no fish so ends this day

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but
July 6 this day begins and ends with light and variable winds and cloudy with some rain at about 9 A.M. Henry Helman took the boat as he said to go down the river a little ways. He arrived half past eight with some six or eight more from a fishing voyage as appeared from the fact that they all had more or less fish a question soon arose among whether to move the boat at the stake or not after a considerable discussion on the subject they concluded as there was no boat there to get off and on with to leave her side of the wharf when there was no less than two boats there yes there at the same time I finally told them if they would get out of her I would take care of her myself which they readily did there is not less than two hours work to put her in decent order P.C.

sun
July 7 this day begins with a pleasant breeze from S.E. and good weather middle and latter part a good breeze S.W. after sunset becomes cool so ends this day

more
July 8 this day begins with calm & warm weather middle and latter part a fine breeze S.W. at night clouds up and looks like a storm

tues
July 9 begins with calm and warm weather middle and latter part a pleasant breeze S.W. some thunder P.M. but no rain thus ends this day

wednes
July 10 this day begins with a calm and warm weather middle and latter part a good breeze S.W. and fine weather so ends this day

thurs
July 11 begins with a good breeze S.W. and cloudy middle a heavy tempest latter part cloudy and a shower of rain ends cloudy looking like a storm

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Red Bank

fr begins with cloudy warm and muggy weather with
July 12 some rain & middle and latter part a good
breeze S.W. and fine weather Sarah washed
nothing more worth remark

sat begins with a pleasant breeze S.W. and good weather

July 13 middle a heavy tempest the lightning struck
Geo. Howlands ship & ruined her foremast & being
doing some other damages ends fine and pleasant

sun begins with calm and fine weather middle fine

July 14 with a good breeze S.W. latter part a light breeze
perhaps between 3 and 4 P.M. ends fine and pleasant

mon this day begins with cloudy but warm weather

July 15 middle clear with a good breeze S.W. latter part
breeze continues but becomes cloudy and looks
like rain Sarah went down street and
bought cloth for two summer dresses. at 1/2
per yard

tues begins with a light breeze S.W. and good weather

July 16 middle about 1 P.M. latter part wind dies weather
fine through the day

wednes begins and ends with good weather and a light

July 17 breeze S.W. but very warm

thurs this day begins and ends with good weather but

July 18 very warm W. - Cole late keeper of the
McCurries Hotel at the north part of this village
departed this life about 12 after a short illness

fri this day begins and ends with clear weather and a very

July 19 warm latter part a refreshing breeze from
S.W. at 2 P.M. Thermometer standing at 80°
in the shade

sat begins with a light S.W. breeze and cloudy

July 20 middle clear though not very warm latter

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first wind increases clouds over and looks like a storm so ends this day

July 21 begins with cloudy weather and a gentle breeze from S.W. middle clear latter part clouds over wind increases and rain follows ends rainy

July 22 begins with foggy and pretty warm weather about 10 am. fog breaks away and sun comes out very warm and continues so till 5 or 4 P.M. when fog sets in and so ends the day

July 23 begins with calm and cloudy weather but very warm middle end latter part distant showers Capt. Charles Fane had a fit this morning which deprived him of senses about one hour

July 24 begins with a good breeze S.E. and good weather middle the same latter part a light breeze S.E. I have been unwell all day with pain in the Bowels sickness at the stomach

July 25 this day begins with good weather middle the same latter part cloudy and a good breeze S.E. looks like rain. I was very sick last night vomiting &c. Dr. Tolson was here this morning

July 26 begins with a light breeze S.W. and good weather middle the same between one and two a small shower which lasted about an hour after which fine weather wind same way at sunset dies to a calm I have been repairing tools been of errands &c. so ends this day

July 27 begins and ends with very warm weather latter part a light breeze S.W. at night dies to a calm about half past 9 eve. a light breeze East.

July 28 this day begins with calm and warm weather about

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ten H.M. a pleasant breeze S.E. latter part a good breeze S.W. and cool fine weather through the day I took the ballast out of her and left her on the beach the bottom of the Fairplay and left her on the beach bottom up so ends the day.

mon this day begins with cloudy about 9 H.M. sun July 29 comes out very warm latter part cloudy and a good breeze S.W. so ends the day.

tues this day begins and ends with a light breeze S.W. July 30 and good weather but rather warm finished driving oil for Blamphard so ends this day.

wednes begins with cloudy weather with a light breeze July 31 S.W. middle and latter part wind increased followed by rain towards night a heavy tempest followed by a steady rain.

thurs begins and ends with a pleasant breeze S.W. and Aug 1 fine weather. I have got the Fairplay of ballast and rigged her and what is better had an application this eve. for her to go to West Island so ends this day.

fri begins with a light breeze S.W. and good weather Aug 2 middle and latter part wind S.E. and cloudy at night looks like rain.

sat this day begins with calm and good weather mid Aug 3 and latter part a pleasant breeze from different points of compass but mostly from S.W. ends calm under Williams started for Fall River this morning.

sun begins with a pleasant breeze S.E. and good Aug 4 weather middle wind S.E. latter part wind S.W. and good weather Sarah and I took tea to Mr. Williams ends pleasant.

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Aug 5 This day begins with a light breeze from S.W. and cloudy middle clear calm and very warm latter part a pleasant breeze same way after 6 my wife sister Eliza and I went sailing

Aug 6 This day begins with calm and very warm weather middle and latter part a fresh breeze S.W. I can tell William arrived at night looks like rain

Aug 7 This day begins with cloudy weather and some rain middle clear and warm latter part a good breeze S.W. towards night a light shower at 9 P.M. clear with a light breeze S.W.

Aug 8 This day begins with a light breeze from S.W. and cloudy at 9 A.M. a light breeze about S. and good weather P.M. some rain ends cloudy

Aug 9 This day begins with thunder and some rain middle good weather wind S.W. latter part another thunder shower ends pleasant with a good breeze S.W.

Aug 10 This day begins with a fresh breeze from about W. and clear weather middle about the same latter part calm S.W. and gradually dies away I went fishing with Silas Cook and met with good success

Aug 11 This day begins and ends with a pleasant breeze from W. and S.W. good weather this morning a boat load of women seven in number went up the river to pick wherries berries got back towards sunset getting about 12 qts. all told so ends the day

Aug 12 This day begins and ends with cloudy weather and a good breeze from S.W. have been driving east fleeting broods P.C. ends looking very much like rain

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Boobedford

tues This day begins with a good breeze S. E. and
Aug 13 rainy middle cloudy latter part clear and
a good breeze same way commenced work
for Eves. Glossy this ends the day
wednes this day begins and ends with a good breeze
Aug 14 S. E. and cloudy for the most part but no
rain at 2 P.M. clears off so ends the day
thurs This day begins and ends with a good breeze S. E.
Aug 15 but little rain though pretty cool
fri begins and ends with a fresh breeze Easter about
Aug 16 half past 12 sets in to rain and blow hard
and ends the same the Fair-Play started her
warps and drove ashore about 10 A.M.
sat This day begins with a light breeze S. W. and
Aug 17 closely middle clears off latter part clouds up
again wind about S. so ends the day
sun This day begins with a light breeze S. W.
Aug 18 and closely middle fine latter part some
cloudy with a light breeze from Easter. I have
been all day employed in building a boat
mon This day begins with a light air from Easter and
Aug 19 thick fog middle and latter part fine weather
with little or no wind and pretty warm
so ends the day
tues This day begins with calm and warm weather
Aug 20 middle and latter part a light breeze S. W.
this Eves. dark and I carried home 9 M^{rs}
Mr. C. Intoshs Dressing table and Tea-tray
wednes This day begins with calm and very warm
Aug 21 weather middle and latter part a light breeze
S. W. so ends the day
thurs This day begins with calm and warm weather
Aug 22

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much as before middle and latter part a light breeze & so ends the day

Mon this day begins and ends with a light breeze from N.W. and quite warm nothing more worth remark only George Louis is said to be quite sick of fever

Tues this day begins and ends with a light breeze S.W. and warm it is said by some that the week past has been the warmest weather we have had this season

Wed begins with a good breeze S.W. and cloudy weather middle clear and warm latter part cloudy and a pleasant breeze same way so ends the day

Thurs this day begins with a light breeze S.W. middle and latter part wind S.W. and very warm ends looking like rain

Fri begins with cloudy weather and wind S.W. middle and latter part wind same way and very warm Ev. clouds over and looks like rain

Sat begins with a light breeze S.W. and some rain middle and latter part clears off and a pleasant breeze continues from S.W. I left off work at 6 P.M. Mr. Joseph Myers departed this life 26 inst. about 2 o'clock P.M. at the advanced age of 81 years and 11 months Mr. Myers was a soldier in the Revolution

Sund this day begins and ends with a good breeze S.E. and cool cloudy weather I have not been at work to day

Mon this day begins with wind S.E. and cloudy about 8 begins to rain at 12 sets in strong

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and keeps it till night when it blows again
and rains hard ends looking wild
sat this day begins with a complete gale from nearly
Weyss N. but no rain wind eases gradually until
12 when it stands S.W. and at the same time
moderates ends with moderate weather but
some cloudy

sun this day begins with a light breeze S.W. middle
Sept 1 and latter part a fine breeze S.E. fine weather
through the day so ends this day

mon this day begins with calm and partly cool
Sept 2 weather middle and latter part a light
breeze S.W. and warm so ends this day

tues this day begins and ends with fine weather W.W.
Sept 3 calm latter part a light breeze from S.W.
so ends the day

wednes this day begins with a light breeze S.W. and
Sept 4 good weather middle warm latter part a
light breeze Easter ends fine

thurs this day begins and ends with wind S.W. and
Sept 5 cloudy weather but little or no rain eve.
wind blows on and looks like a storm

fri this day begins and ends with a light breeze
Sept 6 S.W. and warm weather ends looking fair
household furniture has been going
here to S.W. for some days

sat this day begins with a light breeze from S.W. and
Sept 7 warm middle and latter part calm and
very warm at half past eight eve. a light
breeze S.W. and fog

sun this day begins with wind S.E. and cloudy about
Sept 8 9 clock begins to rain and wind gradually

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Nov 8. weather generally rainy through the day ends rainy

Nov 9 this day begins with a breeze from S.W. and rain middle and latter part end same way but no rain but thick and warm ends cloudy

Nov 10 this day begins with calm and warm about 2 a light breeze S.W. about 4 S.W. ends W.S.W. clouds over and ends a little ends fine

Nov 11 this day begins with a light breeze S.W. and ends 11 cool middle and latter part a good breeze W.S.W. ends fine Sarah is taken with a violent pain in the stomach from eating green corn for supper

Nov 12 this day begins and ends with a pleasant breeze from S.W. and fine weather Sarah has got smart again

Nov 13 this day begins and ends with a good breeze from S.W. and cloudy with a little rain ends looking like a storm

Nov 14 this day begins with a light breeze S.W. and ends 14 cool middle and latter part a light sea from S.W. but cool ends fine

Nov 15 this day begins and ends with a good breeze from S.S.E. and good weather though some cloudy I have been employed repairing a boat sail

Nov 16 this day begins and ends with a light breeze from S.W. and very warm besides some cloudy in the eve. threatens to rain

Nov 17 this day begins with cloudy weather and ends 17 rain middle and latter part good

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at Bedford

weather but some cloudy ends cloudy with
a light breeze S.W.

wednes. this day begins with wind S.W. and rain middle

Sept 18 and latter part cloudy and wind same

way but little or no rain ends cloudy

thurs this day begins and ends with a pleasant breeze

Sept 19 from N.W. and a cool air ends very

fine and pleasant

fri this day begins and ends with fine weather

Sept 20 and a light breeze from different points

of compass but generally S.W. so ends the day

sat this day begins with calm and warm weather

Sept 21 middle much the same latter part a light

breeze from S.W.

sun. this day begins with a thick fog and calm

Sept 22 middle and latter part clear and a fresh breeze

from S.W. this morning while I was assisting

to clear out urticaria well as man

brought news of the death of Thomas Cray

as he said departed this life about sunrise

after a short illness

mon this day begins and ends with a pleasant

Sept 23 breeze from S.W. and fine weather but

some cloudy

tues this day begins with calm and warm weather

Sept 24 middle the same latter part a good breeze

from S.W. ends pleasant but calm

wednes begins with light and variable winds from

Sept 25 S. to W. middle and latter part a good

breeze from about S. ends cloudy and looking

like a storm

thurs this day begins with wind about S. and rainy

Sept 26

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Rev. B. B. B.

middle and latter part a fresh breeze from
S.W. and cool ends clear and cool
begin with little or no wind from S.W. and
middle and latter part a good breeze from
about N.W. and some cloudy ends looking
like rain

this day begins with a good breeze from S.W.
middle much the same latter part wind

dies to a calm weather fine through the day
begin with a light breeze from S.W. and

middle and latter part a
good breeze about S. and good weather

this day begins breeze from East. cloudy and cool
middle about the same latter part rainy

and wind S.E. ends cloudy and some rain
begin with clear weather and wind to S.W.

middle much the same latter part a light
breeze from S.W. and some cloudy and calm

begin with a light breeze from S.W. and clear
middle and latter part a fresh

breeze same way and some cloudy ends
looking like a storm

this day begins with a pleasant breeze from W.
and pleasant weather middle much the same

latter part wind S.W. and clear over
this day begins with a light breeze from

middle and latter part a good breeze from
about S.E. weather fine through

the day Sarah watches with Almeda Blanching
begin and ends with a good breeze from S.W. and

good weather through cool after sunset wind
dies and becomes cooler

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Sun begins with a light breeze from about S.E. and
soft & cool middle and latter part light breezes from
west. late P.M. looks like a storm

mon this day begins with calm weather and white
fog middle and latter part a light breeze from
about S.W. weather generally fine throughout
the day

Tues begins with little or no wind from anywhere
soft & middle and latter part a light breeze from
S.E. weather warm and pleasant throughout
the day

wednes this day begins and ends with a pleasant breeze
soft & from about S.E. & fine weather
eve. calm so ends the day

thurs this day begins and ends with calm cloudy
Oct 10 and pretty warm weather about half
past 8 eve. a stiff breeze springs up
from S.E. and looks like rain

fri begins with a pleasant breeze from S.W. and
Oct 11 good weather middle the same latter part wind
dies and becomes some cloudy

sat begins with a light breeze from S.E. and cloudy
Oct 12 middle gradually easterly to S.E. towards night
sets in to rain but wind light

Sun this day begins and ends with a light breeze
Oct 13 from S.W. A.M. some rain latter part
breaks away after sunset calm and thick
fog. eve.

mon begins and ends with a good breeze from S.E.
Oct 14 and frequent showers of rain at night no
prospect of better weather

Tues this day begins and ends with a good breeze from
Oct 15

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c. S. E. and almost incessant rain at night
the clouds looks somewhat broken and rain
abates

Monday this day begins with calm clear and pleasant
at 16 weather middle and latter part a light
breeze from S.W. and fine weather after
sunset entirely calm Sarah went to
church this eve (the only time within
the twelve months.)

Tuesday this day begins with a calm and thick fog
at 17 middle and latter part a light breeze
S.W. and very warm for the season
after sunset calm

Wednesday this day begins with a calm and thick fog
at 18 middle and latter part a good breeze
from S.W. but some cloudy at night
looks like rain

Thursday this day begins and ends with a heavy rain and a
at 19 light breeze from S.W. and very warm after
sundown wind shifts S. E. with a fresh breeze
and violently

Friday begins with a heavy wind from about S. and
at 20 cloudy middle much the same latter part
clears off with the wind S. E. and moderates

Saturday this day begins with wind S. S. E. and cloudy
at 21 middle and latter part clears off with a light
breeze same way after sunset wind dies

Sunday this day begins with a calm and cool weather
at 22 middle and latter part a light breeze from
S.W. after sunset calm and very pleasant
some frost last night

Monday begins with a calm and fine weather middle

Journal of wind weather

and latter part a light breeze from about
S.W. towards night looks like rain
this day begins with calm thick and today
Oct 24 weather with a light breeze from about
S.W. by N. middle and latter part of day
clears to W. and S.W. stands at N.W. with
a gentle breeze very warm for the season all
day
fri this day begins with a light breeze from
Oct 25 and good weather middle and latter part
light and variable winds from last. and
good weather
sat this day begins with calm and warm weather
Oct 26 middle and latter part a fine breeze
from S.W. and good weather
sun begins with a light air from S.W. middle and
Oct 27 latter part a pleasant breeze same way weather
fine throughout the day
mon this day begins with a good breeze from S.W.
Oct 28 and thick fog middle and latter part fog
clears off but remains cloudy with a fresh breeze
same way started about 4 A.M. below the bridge
gunning got home 2 P.M.
tues this day begins and ends with a good breeze from
Oct 29 W. to S.W. and pleasant weather I went a
Rabbit Hunting and got nothing after sun
down wind dies
wednes begins with a pleasant breeze from N.W. and
Oct 30 good weather middle calm latter part a fine
breeze S.W. and good weather at sunset wind
dies
thurs begins with a light breeze from S.W. and same rain
Oct 31

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middle no rain but some cloudy latter part continues cloudy but no rain. Ev. calm thus ends the day

Mon begins with cloudy weather and a light breeze from S.W. middle calm latter part a good breeze same way and some rain, went down river, quarrying so ends the day

Tue begins with cloudy weather and wind S.W. middle and latter part much the same at night clears off but wind stands S.W. with a moderate breeze

Wed begins and ends with a light breeze from about S.W. S.W. and cloudy weather besides cool S.W. and I taking Pemmican fire

Thurs this day begins with a cool breeze from N.W. and cloudy middle clear and calm latter part a light breeze S.W. ends fine

Fri this day begins with a light breeze S.W. and cloudy middle nearly calm latter part a good breeze from about E. at 3 P.M. begins to rain

Sat this day begins with a fresh breeze from N.W. S.W. and some rain middle and latter part moderates with a pleasant breeze from N.W. several Boats went ashore last night among which was the fair play & Success

Sun this day begins and ends with a good breeze from S.W. and some cloudy at night wind shifts further to N.W. I bought a cook. Stab and set it up

Mon begins with a good breeze from S.W. and cool middle blows strong same way

Journal of varied Weather

- latter part wind dies and fine
- Sat this day begins and ends with a good breeze from
N.W. about 8. W. and cool clear weather got some
staves & droops of W. & Ply.
- Sun this day begins with a good breeze from N.W.
(Bar 30) and cool middle and latter part cloudy
and looks like a storm after sunset wind
moderates
- Mon this day begins with a fresh breeze from
(Bar 31) about 8. and pretty cool middle and
latter part moderates and pleasant went
down river morning and got nothing
- Tues this day begins with a light breeze S.W. and
(Bar 32) cloudy middle calm & fine latter part
a gentle breeze S.E.
- Wednes begins with a light breeze S.W. and
(Bar 33) some cloudy middle and latter part
calm and very fine so ends the day
- Thurs this day begins with a calm and some rain
(Bar 34) middle much the same latter part a good
breeze from S.W.
- Fri this day begins and ends with a fresh breeze
(Bar 35) from S.W. and very warm for the season
though cloudy all day
- Sat this day begins with a light breeze from S.W.
(Bar 36) and fine weather middle and latter
part a fresh breeze some way after sunset
calm and fine
- Sun this day begins with a good breeze S.W.
(Bar 37) middle calm latter part light and variable
winds from S.E. to S.W. at night looks like
rain

Business of the day S. C. 1839

Nov 18 this day begins with a fresh breeze from
S.W. middle much the same latter
part moderates after sunset calm
Nov 19 this day begins and ends with a good breeze
from W.S.W. weather generally fine
through the day though some cloudy
S.P.M.

Nov 20 this day begins and ends with a fresh breeze from
S.W. and pretty cool Generally cloudy through
the day

Nov 21 this day begins with a good breeze from S.W.
and cool though fine for the season middle
about the same latter part wind cuts about
N. and a cloud rises through ends fine

Nov 22 gone to Sacongon

Nov 23 this day begins with a light breeze from
S.W. middle and latter part a good breeze
from W.S.W. to W. and good weather got
warmer about half past 5 so ends the day

Nov 24 this day begins with a heavy breeze from
S.W. and heavy showers of rain lights etc
latter part wind cuts W. and clears off

Nov 25 this day begins and ends with a stiff breeze
from about W.S.W. and good weather
some frost last night

Nov 26 this day begins with a good breeze from S.W.
Nov 27 and good weather middle much the same
latter part wind dies becomes cloudy and
looks like rain headed up the Fair Play
for winter quarters

Journal of wind & weather

New Bedford

sun this day begins with a good breeze from
Dec. 15 about E. by N. and a thick falling of snow
which continues till about noon wind
shifts S.E. and turns to rain about 2 P.M.
clears off with a good breeze from E. and
more this day begins and ends with a fresh breeze from
Dec. 16 N. by E. and a thick falling of snow through
the day matters very fast towards night
becomes cooler, no frost last night
trees this day begins and ends with a gentle breeze from
Dec. 17 N.W. and good weather, but somewhat cool
ends pleasant with a light breeze same way
wind this day begins and ends with a light breeze
Dec. 18 from S.W. and pretty cool cloudy for the
most part it is said that there is now 60
cases of small pox in this town
thurs this day begins and ends with a light breeze
Dec 19 from N.W. and pretty cool but clear weather
nothing more worth remark
fri this day begins and ends with a good breeze
Dec. 20 from N.W. with cool and clear weather
nothing more worth remark
sat this day begins with a good breeze from N.W.
Dec. 21 and cool middle the same latter part
becomes cloudy wind dies and looks like a
storm so ends this day
sun this day begins with a calm middle and half
Dec. 22 part a good breeze from about E. by N.
and looks like a storm
more this day begins with a good breeze from N.W.
Dec 23 and a thick falling of snow middle snow
rain latter part rain after sunset turns to
snow again

Business of the day &c. 1839

New Bedford

Mon This day begins and ends with a moderate breeze
Dec 24 from about N. and cloudy but no storm

Tue. a light breeze same way
Wed. this day begins with a light breeze from N. & then
Dec 25 and cloudy middle and latter part good weather
with a gentle breeze same way

Thurs This day begins with a light breeze from
Dec 26 N. & then and good weather middle the same
latter part calm. Eve. a thick horizon

Fri begins with calm and cloudy weather middle
Dec 27 a light breeze from East. latter part a
fresh breeze E. by S. Eve. blows heavy and
looks like rain so ends this day

Sat This day begins with a moderate breeze from
Dec 28 E. S. E. and cloudy middle gradually comes
to S. W. latter part some rain ends looking
like a storm

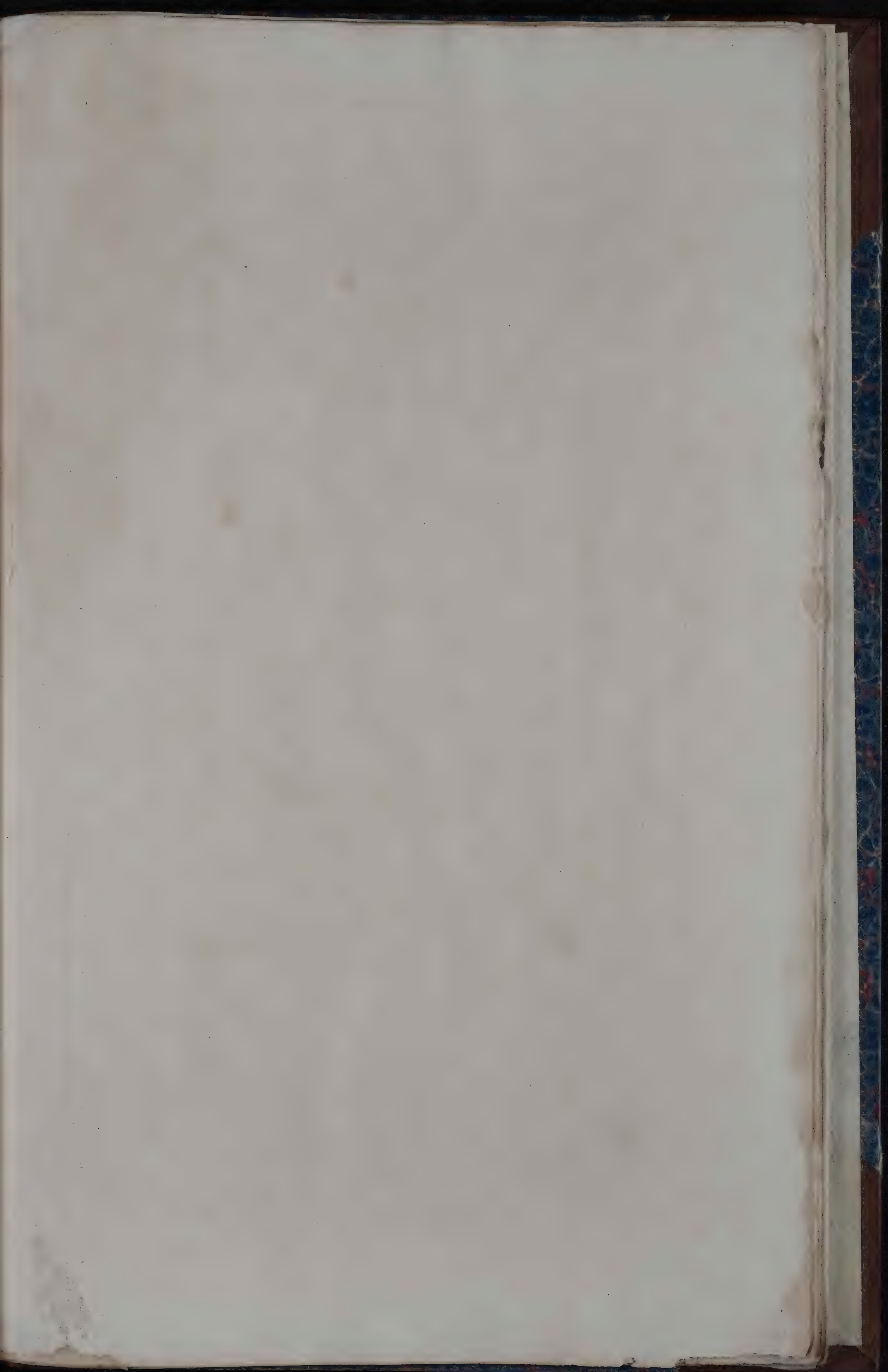
Sun This day begins and ends with a light breeze
Dec 29 from S. W. and fine weather nothing remarkable
Mon begins and ends with a fresh breeze from S. W.

Dec 30 and cold weather nothing worth remark

Tues This day begins with a fresh breeze about W.
Dec 31 S. W. and cold middle much the same
latter part wind dies Eve. calm

thus ends this year of our

Lord & Saviour 1839



Journal of a voyage. The ship
occurs in Ship William Thompson
Meriam Weeks master sailed June 15th 1833
Kept by Lyman Healy

Lyman Healy of New Bedford.
Born in Swanton state of N. H.

